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INTRODUCTION

The present compilation is presented as the third of a series of bibliographies in preparation by Meteorological and Geostrophysical Abstracts for the Boulder Laboratories of the National Bureau of Standards.

Several such bibliographies, all on the general subject of electromagnetic (radio) wave propagation in the atmosphere or ionosphere, are being published in the NBS, Technical Notes Series. The first bibliography entitled "Bibliography on Ionospheric Propagation of Radio Waves (1923-1960)" was published in October 1960, as NBS, Technical Note, No. 84, and is available from United States Department of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, Washington 25, D.C. (PB 161585). Price \$7.00. It contains 1404 references, mostly annotated. The second: "Bibliography on Meteoric Radio Wave Propagation", containing 368 items, was published in May 1961 as NBS Technical Note No. 94 (PB 161595). Price \$2.75.

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The present compilation is made up of about 300 abstracts or titles from the literature published during the period 1893-1961. It is thus only a portion of the international literature on radio-auroral research. Omissions of pertinent papers are involuntary and it will be greatly appreciated if brought to our attention so they may be included in future supplements.

Auroral effects on radio waves were known before Oscanyan, in 1929 (C-222), actually observed the influence of visible aurora on radio communication. International research lagged until 1938, when Harang and Stoffregen discovered and identified auroral VHF scattering. Whereas at first the disturbances attending the aurora were considered only as a nuisance to radio communication, the auroral effects have now been exploited as a new and enhanced mode of communication and a tool for further exploration and research into the physical characteristics

of the atmosphere.

For the most recent systematic discussion of the "Radio Aurora", the reader should consult Chapter 6 of the new (1961) book "Physics of the Aurora and Airglow", by J. W. Chamberlain of Yerkes Observatory. This excellent review of the subject was received after the present bibliography had been completed and indexed; hence it has been added as a supplementary item (C-297).

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- C-15 Barlow, E. W., Aurora and allied phenomena. Marine Observer, 16(133):12-17, Jan. 1939. table.--A study of aurora and allied phenomena with brief mention of radio effects. During an aurora in 1915 radio reception in the British Isles was seriously affected, short wave reception being either completely absent or very weak and subject to fading. European stations near the lower end of the medium waveband were also faint. Telegraphic and telephonic communications were strongly interfered with. --E. Z. S.

- C-16 Bates, Howard F. (Geophys. Inst. Univ. Alaska, College, Alaska), The height of F layer irregularities in the Arctic ionosphere. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 64(9):1257-1265, Sept. 1959. 5 figs., 10 refs., 14 eqs. DLC. Also issued as Alaska. Univ. Geophysical Institute, Contract AF 19(604)-1859, Scientific Report No. 3, March 1959. 19 p. 6 figs., 12 refs., 17 eqs. DWB--Results and interpretations of oblique-incidence soundings of the Arctic ionosphere are presented. Anomalous echoes are found to be prevalent in high latitudes in contrast to lower latitudes where 2F ground scatter predominates. One of the echoes seen regularly at College, Alaska, has been identified as direct F layer (1F) back scatter propagated via the least time mode. The observations of the 1F echo provide direct evidence of the presence of irregularities in the F layer between heights of 350 and 500 km. The 1F echoes are recorded regularly at night and occasionally during the day in disturbed periods. They appear to be associated with auroral ionization. The analysis of ground scattered (2F) echoes is extended from a plane to a spherical geometry, and it is shown that a geometrical extension of the plane-earth theory is adequate. The observed range-frequency dependence differs only slightly from that predicted by the latter theory. (Item 11F-7, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-17 Bates, Howard F., The slant Es echo. A high-frequency auroral echo. Journal of Geophysical Research, 66(2):447-454, Feb. 1961. 6 figs., tables, 13 refs. --Whenever the slant Es echo was strong on the College oblique incidence, sweep frequency (1-25 Mc/s) sounder, the College 41 Mc/s auroral radar recorded an echo at the same range as that at 25 Mc/s on the sweep frequency record. This range was close to that at which the line of sight most nearly approaches normal incidence upon the geomagnetic field lines. The high-latitude slant Es echo appears to be the result of energy that is scattered by randomly distributed, field aligned irregularities, and is strongly enhanced by one of two focusing agents that depend upon the frequency. The slanting portion of the echo is produced by least-time focusing, and the constant range VHF portion, by aspect focusing. The high latitude slant Es echo is associated with magnetic disturbances; in the cases examined the magnetic K index was between 3 and 7. Its extension at 41 Mc/s is occasionally observed as a discrete type of auroral echo. The scatterers are diffusely distributed, however, indicating that auroral radar records must be interpreted with care. --Author's abstract.

- C-18 Beckman, B.; Menzel, W. and Vilbig, F., Veränderungen in der Ionosphäre beim Auftreten von Nordlicht. (Changes in the ionosphere during aurora borealis). Telegraphen Fernsprech Funk und Fernseh Technik, 27(7):245-251, July 1938. 8 figs.-- Echo recordings of Sept. 30, 1937 using 84 m λ are discussed in comparison with simultaneous recordings conducted 100 km farther north. It is concluded that the auroral layers cannot be explained by reflexion from a northerly located slant ion-front. Over head changes of the F region are distinct. Observed reflexions from E, F and F1 and F2 refute their theoretical nonexistence. --W. N.
- C-19 Bellchambers, W. H. and Piggott, W. R., Ionospheric measurements made at Halley Bay. Nature, London, 182(4649): 1596-1597, Dec. 6, 1958. fig., 2 refs. --An analysis of the initial results from the ionospheric sounding equipment at Halley Bay is given. Absorption controlled by corpuscular radiation during the polar winter has a maximum at 0400 L M T (30°W). The occurrence of auroral radar echoes shows a similar diurnal maximum which peaks a few hours earlier; coincident with excessive ionospheric absorption and zenithal aurora's weak reflections from an ionized layer at about 80 km have been obtained. The diurnal variations of f_oF2 show: (1) a peak near noon in the winter in spite of the comparative absence of photoionization; (2) a seasonal maximum near noon at the equinoxes; and (3) a minor increase around midnight during the summer. The results demonstrate the predominating influence of ionization transport phenomena over that of previously mentioned processes. --Phys. Abstract.
- C-20 Bhattacharyya, B. K. (Natl. Res. Council, Ottawa), Correlation studies of radio-aurora, magnetic and earth-current disturbances. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 38(5):624-637, May 1960. 7 figs., tables, 20 refs. DWB, DLC--Correlation studies of the radar echo occurrence rate from aurora in half-hourly intervals at Ottawa, S and S_d components of the horizontal magnetic field H at Agincourt, and the disturbance diurnal variation of earth current at Crow River have been carried out. Short-time variations in auroral echo strength and moderate perturbations in H have also been correlated. The auroral echo occurrence rate seems to have a diurnal variation characteristic similar to that of H. It is found that auroral activity always precedes magnetic activity. The variation of the delay time between the two phenomena shows a local time dependence, being practically constant and quite small (0-15 minutes) before local midnight and increasing afterwards. This variation of the delay time appears to have a connection with reports of others regarding reversal of the direction of auroral ionization drift from west to east somewhere around midnight

with subsequent magnetic perturbations which change from positive to negative. No definite conclusion could be reached regarding the relationship of earth current to other factors because of a practically random variation of cross correlation coefficients from month to month. (Item 12A-28, Met. Abs.)
--Author's abstract.

- C-21 Birfel'd, Ia. G., Radiolokatsionnye otrazheniia ot poliarnykh siianiĭ. (Radar reflections from auroras.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Izvestiia, Ser. Geofiz., No. 4:543-547, 1957. 5 figs., 5 refs. DLC. Transl. into English by M. G. Priestley in the English language edition of the Izvestiia, Bulletin of the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R., Geophysics Series, No. 4: 154-158, 1957, issued 1957, by American Geophysical Union. DWB--Radar reflections from auroras were studied with radar having a frequency of about 10 mh Hz for an impulse with length of 10 mc/sec, a thickness of 75 kw in a frequency of recurrence of 50 z. The type of reflections obtained on the radar screen are reproduced and analyzed. In general, the reflections, although complex, consist of signals having a width of the order of 10 mc/sec corresponding to the length of the impulse studied. The reflections are associated with solar activity and geomagnetic and ionospheric disturbances produced in the ionosphere. Reflections were observed in all directions. (Item 10.8-129, Met. Abs.)--I. L. D.
- C-22 Birfel'd, Ia. G., Radiolokatsiia poliarnykh siianiĭ. (Radar observation of auroras.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Izvestiia, Ser. Geofiz., No. 12:1871-1882, Dec. 1960. 7 figs., 32 refs. DLC. Transl. into English in the corresponding number of the Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Bulletin of the Academy of Sciences, USSR, Geophysics Series. DLC--Various recording apparatuses (radar, oscillographs, photo cameras, etc.), receiving equipments (multivibratory, semi-wave vibratory and parabolic antennas) and method of observation and coordination of the aurora are described with details and illustrations. The observations were made on six radar stations (Lopark, Dickson, Shmidt, Tixy, Roshchino and Yakutsk) on various frequencies from 5 to 74 megahertz. The character and properties of the radar single and group reflections and their typical classification are discussed with photographs, oscillograms and charts with graphic distribution of the ionization density and brightness of image on the semi-sky maps. General process of radar reflection and density of ionization are analyzed with respect to their relation to the solar activities. The radar group reflections of the auroras are graphically coordinated with (H) and (Z) components of the earth's magnetic field and also with variation of critical frequencies of (E) and

(F2) layer of the ionosphere. Major points of the discussion are summarized in the conclusion. --N. P. S.

- C-23 Birkeland, Kristian, Sur les rayons cathodiques sous l'action de forces magnétiques intenses. (On cathode rays under the action of intense magnetic forces.) Archives des Sciences Physiques et Naturelles, Geneva, Ser. 4, 497-512, 1896. DLC--Laboratory experiments on cathode rays in tubes under the influence of magnetic fields are described in detail and the analogy to auroral manifestations suggested. The polarity of the aurora and the source of the energy are the two aspects that could be explained only on the basis of a hypothesis of polar origin of energy and action of magnetic poles in concentrating the discharges. (Item 5C-6, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-24 Birkeland, Kristian, Expedition Norvegienne de 1899-1900 pour l'etude des aurores boreales. Resultats des recherches magnetiques. (Norwegian Expedition of 1899-1900 to study the aurora borealis. Results of magnetic research.) Videnskabs-selskabet i Kristiana, Math.-Naturvidenskapelig Klasse, Skrifter, No. 1, 1901. 80 p. 12 plates (some fold.), port. DLC--Report contains discussion of simultaneous variations in geomagnetism at Bosekop and Potsdam and relation to aurora and upper atmospheric electric currents. Theory is developed and laboratory experiments illustrating the aurora in a cathode ray tube (artificial auroral bands) described. Finally, a discussion of possibility that cirrus clouds could be formed by extension of auroral action into lower levels of upper atmosphere is presented in some detail. (Item 5C-9, Met. Abs.) --M. R.
- C-25 Blevis, B. C., UHF auroral radar observations. Journal of Geophysical Research, 63(4):867-868, Dec. 1958. 2 figs., 2 refs. --Brief note on measurements with a bistatic type radar, transmitter receiver separation of about 19 km, as conducted at Ottawa, Canada, during April 18-19, 1957 when auroral echoes were obtained on 488 Mc/s and an off-perpendicular angle corresponding to 3° or 4° between radar and magnetic lines of force at 100 km level. Echo observations at 944 Mc/s during July 8-9 indicated effective cross sections up to several thousand m². --W. N.
- C-26 Blevis, B. C. and Cameron, E. A., Further data on radar returns from aurora at 488 Mc/s. Canada. Defence Research Telecommunications Establishment, Report 44-2-2, July 1958. 9 p. 7 figs., ref. DWB (M(055) C212rep)--This report extends the information previously presented (Chapman, J. H. et al.) on auroral radar observations at a frequency of 488 Mc/s.

The present work is concerned primarily with measurements of auroral depth in range and with observed Doppler shifts in the signals returned from the aurora. The observations were made with a transmitter located near Ottawa, Ont. ($45^{\circ}21'N$, $75^{\circ}53'W$) and with the receiver located near Meath, Ont. ($45^{\circ}44'N$, $76^{\circ}59'W$). The equipment used for the measurements is described with particular reference to modifications which have been made since the previous report was published. Comments are made about the auroral echo geometry and the receiver and transmitter sites. Representative photographs of visual displays are included and the results of the measurements are indicated. (Item 12B-26, Met. Abs.)--Authors' introduction.

- C-27 Bontch-Bruewitch, M. A., Ionospheric measurements in the polar regions. Nature, London, 133(3353):175-176, Feb. 3, 1934. --Found evidence of an absorbing layer below the E layer. --L. A. Manning.
- C-28 Booker, H. G.; Gartlein, C. W. and Nichols, B. (Cornell Univ.), Interpretations of radio reflections from the aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, 60(1):1-22, March 1955. 17 figs., 31 refs., eq. DWB--The literature on radio echoes from the aurora is reviewed and results obtained at Ithaca, N. Y., College, Alaska, and Saskatoon, and from analysis of radio signals transmitted from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, are analyzed. Diurnal and seasonal variations in auroral reflections correspond with frequency of auroras; maximum before and after midnight; minimum during daylight and at midnight; and, respectively, maximum at equinoxes (especially spring equinox), and minimum at solstices (especially winter solstice). Results of both pulse and continuous radio transmissions at 2.4 to 144 Mc/sec show fine structure, azimuth (always to N), fading time (proportional to frequency), which is much faster than would be expected and give clue to cause of above phenomena. Reflections are due to scattering from numerous ionized columns as in meteor trail reflections but with faster motion. Theory of ground reflection (HARANG) rejected. (See ref. C-127). (Item 6.11-107, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-29 Booker, H. G., Some practical aspects of auroral propagation. Institute of Radio Engineers, Transactions on Communication Systems, CS-4(1):5, March 1956. 9 refs. DLC--The several aspects of the reflection or scatter mechanism which enable VHF radio communication up to 1000 km and 2000 km, with low and high power transmitters respectively, are explained (except Doppler shift and fading) in terms of radio scattering under given conditions. It is advised to think of the regular VHF scattered transmission as the normal mean for communication

in the auroral zone, and to use highly directional antennas and improved design of the modulation system. --W. N.

- C-30 Booker, H. G., A theory of scattering by nonisotropic irregularities with application to radar reflections from the aurora. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 8(4/5):204-221, May 1956. 4 figs., 14 refs., 48 eqs. DWB. Also in: Cornell Univ., School of Electrical Engineering, Ithaca, N. Y., Technical Report 28, Oct. 30, 1955. --Radar echoes from aurora come mainly at low elevations from north, even at stations north of auroral visual zone. Horizontal and vertical extent of echoes increase as frequency decreases from 100-25 Mc/s. An explanation is given in terms of columns of ionization parallel to earth's magnetic field, but only about 40 m long by 1 m diameter, probably too small to be associated with visible rays. These irregularities are of the same order of size as turbulence elements and it is suggested that the magnetic field creates nonisotropic irregularities of electron density in the E region, with maxima some 100 times the normal, but this cannot explain fading of auroral echoes, which must be due to other features of auroral ionization. (Item 7.10-297, Met. Abs.)--C. E. P. B.
- C-31 Booker, H. G. (Cornell Univ.), Turbulence in the ionosphere with applications to meteor trails, radio star scintillation, auroral radar echoes, and other phenomena. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 61(4):673-705, Dec. 1956. 11 figs., 43 refs., 63 eqs. (Also in: Polar Atmosphere Symposium, Oslo, July 2-8, 1956, Proceedings, Pt. 2, Ionosphere Section, issued 1958. p. 52-81. 11 figs., etc.) These proceedings also issued as Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, Special Supplement, Pt. 2 1957, pub. 1958. p. 52-81. DLC--Two scales of turbulence are discussed, since large eddies are responsible for forward scattering phenomena and small eddies for back-scatter. Molecular diffusion theory forms the basis for small scale eddy formulas; Richardson's number is used for the large scale eddies. Large eddies have time constants of 40 to 100 seconds; small eddies about 0.4 sec near 100 km. Large eddies have a scale of 1.6 km, small eddies about 1.3 m. The coefficient of eddy diffusion in meteor trails is less than 10 for small eddies and increases to 10^4 for large eddies. The large eddies responsible for radio star scintillation are located near 200 km. The turbulence power in watt/kg is given as 5×10^{-4} in the troposphere, 25 at the meteoric level and 1000 at the scintillation level. (Item 12B-31, Met. Abs.)--S. Fritz.

- C-32 Booker, Henry G., Radar studies of the aurora, (In: Ratcliffe, J. A. "Physics of the Upper Atmosphere". N. Y. Academic Press, 1960.) p. 355-375. 17 figs., table, 29 refs. --A chapter devoted to discussion of radar studies of aurora under the following headings: Pulse radar experiments; Radar observations of the aurora; Analysis of observations in terms of azimuth; The distribution of auroral echoes with range; Analysis of auroral echoes in terms of height; Diurnal, seasonal, and sunspot cycle variations of auroral echoes; Motion associated with auroral echoes; Frequency dependence of auroral echoes; Polarization of auroral echoes; The importance of approximate perpendicularity between the Earth's magnetic field and the radius from the radar to the aurora; Theories of auroral radio echoes; and The cause of movement in the location of auroral echoes. --E. Z. S.
- C-33 Bouchard, Jean, Sur la propagation ionosphérique des ondes décamétriques dans les régions polaires arctiques, (On ionospheric propagation of 10 m waves in the Arctic.) Académie des Sciences, Paris, Comptes Rendus, 236(2):220-222, Jan. 12, 1953. DLC--Systematic study of the propagation of 10 m waves over great distance shows the influence of ionic disturbances in the Arctic, connected with magnetic disturbances. The signals received at Dijon, France, from the region of the North Pacific (NE Siberia, Alaska, British Columbia, the Pacific Northwest and Hawaii) are distorted when passing through the belt of maximum auroral activity during magnetic storms but signals from other parts of the Pacific (Japan, Mariannes, New Zealand, etc.) are not thus distorted, except when taking secondary paths traversing these disturbed zones. (Item 6D-158, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-34 Bowles, K., The fading rate of ionospheric reflections from the aurora borealis at 50 mc/sec. Journal of Geophysical Research, 57(2):191-196, June 1952. 3 figs., 2 refs. MH-BH--Amateur radio operators communicate from time to time by a phenomenon of anomalous ionospheric propagation associated with the aurora borealis. Measurements have been made of the rapid flutter-type of fading associated with this kind of propagation at 50 Mc/sec. The power spectrum of the fading seems to have frequency components of roughly equal strength from zero frequency to a cut-off frequency between 100 and 200 cycles/sec. The fading frequency is thus about a power of ten greater than might be anticipated from usual ionospheric velocities. In most cases, both transmitting and receiving antennas must be of the same polarization and must be pointed more or less in the direction of the visible aurora. Amplitude modulated speech transmission is occasionally possible at 50 Mc/sec by means of this type of propagation. (Item 4.5-233, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-35 Bowles, K. L., Analysis of the fading of very high frequency radio waves propagated by aurorally disturbed ionosphere. Cornell University, School of Electrical Engineering, Studies on propagation in ionosphere, Technical Report, No. 15, 1954. Master Thesis. (Unchecked).
- C-36 Bowles, K. L. (Geoph. Inst., Univ. of Alaska), Doppler shifted radio echoes from aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, 59(4):553-555, Dec. 1954. fig., 5 refs. MH-BH-- A brief report on observations and discoveries regarding the Doppler shift in radio echoes from the aurora using 25.4 Mc/sec C.W. or pulse signals from a 100 watt transmitter located 15 mi from a low-gain receiving antenna pointed N. The spectrum of the Doppler shifted auroral echo and f_o signal from transmitter obtained at College, Alaska, Oct. 24, 1954 is reproduced. Doppler shifts cannot be attributed to horizontal movements. Upward shifts correlate with homogeneous auroral forms; (downward motion) and downward shifts with raus (upward motion). Velocities along lines of force are calculated to be about 6 km/sec which is much less than MEINEL reports obtaining from optical methods. (Item 6.8-348, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-37 Bowles, K. L., VHF auroral and meteor echoes including simultaneous observations. American Geophysical Union, Transactions, 35(2):375, 1954.--Auroral echoes have been observed at College, Alaska, using SCR270 radar at 106 mc/sec. The location of College close to the center of the auroral zone makes these observations unique, since visible aurora is commonly seen in all directions of azimuth, as well as overhead. Similar to previous results, (1) echoes are found only within a sector slightly wider than one quadrant, centered on geomagnetic north, (2) ranges between approximately 500-1000 km are found, and (3) no vertical incidence echoes may be obtained from the various forms of aurora when seen overhead. These observations are seen to conform with the meteor trail analogy for VHF echoes as postulated by R. K. Moore. An interesting observation, though not substantiated by a large amount of data, is that the rate and strength of meteor echoes is considerably enhanced during periods when aurora is seen in the sky. The normal rate of three to five echoes per hour is increased to as much as 25-30 echoes per hour. No indication of preferred azimuth is found. In the meteor echo after the initial whistle has ceased, the fading rate fits in with results of other workers but is an order of magnitude slower than fading found in auroral echoes. (See ref. C-203).

- C-38 Bowles, K. L., Aurora borealis studies using VHF radio echoes. IRE-URSI Meeting, Washington, D. C., May 1955. --Two experiments recently performed by the author are described. In the first a 100 mc/s radar set with good horizontal antenna beamwidth was used in Alaska. Simultaneous photographs of the visible aurora and the PPI pattern were taken. In many cases direct comparison may be made between the two. Echoes were received from both homogeneous and rayed auroral forms. A suggested accounting is made for similar visible forms which do not correlate with echoes. In the second experiment rf spectrograms were made of cw echoes from aurora at several carrier frequencies (between 25 and 150 mc/s) and locations. A-'scope presentation of pulsed echoes was available at the same time for comparison with the spectra. Final analysis has been made from tape recordings of the two types of information. Whenever possible visual aurora was correlated with the radio echoes. The results show that the auroral echoes are generally Doppler shifted several hundred cycles relative to the transmitted frequency. They are also broadened over a band of several hundred cycles width. Both quantities depend upon carrier frequency and location of the station in the geomagnetic field. Homogeneous auroral forms produce upward Doppler shifts (approaching motion) while rayed forms produce downward shifts (receding motion). The results are taken as support for the suggestion of earlier Cornell work that the radio echoes arise from thin columns of ionization aligned with the lines of force of the earth's magnetic field. The motions implied by the Doppler shifts are downward in homogeneous forms but upward in rayed forms in the visible aurora. With accounting taken for geometry, velocities along the columns of the order of 6 km/s are implied.
- C-39 Bowles, K. L.; Cohen, R.; Ochs, G. R. et al. (all, Natl. Bur. of Standards, Boulder, Colo.), Radio echoes from field aligned ionization above the magnetic equator and their resemblance to auroral echoes. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 65(6):1853-1855, June 1960. 6 refs. DLC-- Both classes of echoes occur in about the same height range and have about the same band width of fading and similar Doppler shift characteristics. Both exhibit an aspect of sensitivity corresponding to the influence of the earth's magnetic field. Strong currents are observed to flow horizontally to the lines of force of the earth's magnetic field both at the magnetic equator and in auroral forms. The authors suggest that in both phenomena irregularities could reasonably consist of a family of plane-wave disturbances constrained to lie parallel to the local lines of force of the earth's magnetic field. The apparent weakness of the aspect sensitivity in both cases could be produced by local distortion of the earth's magnetic field due to the flow of strong localized ionospheric currents. (Item 12B-32, Met. Abs.)--E. Z. S.

- C-40 Brown, Robert Hanbury and Lovell, A.C.B., Radio and the Aurora borealis. (In their: Exploration of space by radio. N. Y., John Wiley, 1958. pp. 171-177. 7 figs. (incl. photos), 2 refs.) DLC (QB475.B7)--A brief but fairly detailed discussion of radio investigations of auroras. Radio echoes and radio noise from auroras, electron density in the auroras, interpretation of the echo structure, motion of the echo pattern, and some associated magnetic, visual and scintillation features are the topics covered. Figures and photos illustrate the chapter, and references to the work of specific investigators are given in the text. (Item 12A-34, Met. Abs.)--A. J. M.
- C-41 Brüche, E., Modelversuche mit sichtbaren Elektronstrahlen zu Störmers Theorie des Polarlichtes und des Weltraumechos. (Model experiments with visible electron rays to Störmer's theory on polar aurora and worldwide echoes.) Naturwissenschaften, 18(50):1085-1092, Dec. 12, 1930. 9 figs., 7 refs., eqs. --An illustrated presentation of laboratory experiments with a magnetic sphere simulating the earth exposed to electron radiation (200-250 volts) from an oxide cathode, in order to check the trajectories of the electrons and their behavior in a dipole field. The experiments showed good agreement with Störmer's theory. (See ref. C-255). --W. N.
- C-42 Budden, K. G. and Yates, G. G., A search for radio echoes of long delay. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 2(5):272-281, 1952. 23 refs. DWB--An unsuccessful search was made for echoes delayed 3-15 sec. The cause of such echoes is discussed and they are tentatively attributed to "the propagation of guided waves over long curved paths formed by belts of ions outside the earth but fixed relative to it". (Item 4.4-100, Met. Abs.)--C. E. P. B.
- C-43 Bullough, K. and Kaiser, T. R., Radio reflections from aurorae, Pt. 1. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 5(4):189-200, Sept. 1954. 9 figs., 3 tables, 16 refs. Also: Pt. 2, Ibid., 6(4):198-214, April 1955. 18 figs., table, 11 refs. DWB--Pt. 1 reports that observations at Jodrell Bank with a rotating aerial system on 4.1 m included 3 occasions of auroral echo. Echo is interpreted as a reflection from the most highly ionized part of an auroral arc extending more than 1000 km along geomagnetic latitude 59° . The reflecting region was only a few km across, at a height below 125 km, moving westward at 1-2 km/sec. The movement is attributed to movement of the ionizing agent. Pt. 2: Observations of auroral echoes 1949-53 on a beam directed 68° W of N at Jodrell Bank are attributed to large single blobs or localized aggregates. There was a marked fall of activity in 1952-53 with decrease of

sunspot activity. Echoes without discrete structure occur mainly between 16 h and 21 h, those with discrete structure between 18 h and 6 h. Annual variation shows a slight maximum in July-Oct. Geomagnetic locality, correlation with visual aurora and with magnetic activity are discussed; auroral speeds and motions are described. (See ref. C-129). (Item 12B-35, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.

- C-44 Bullough, K. and Kaiser, T. R., Radio reflections from aurorae, Pt. 2, Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 6(4):198-214, April 1955. 18 figs., table, 11 refs. DWB--Observations of auroral echoes 1949-53 on a beam directed 68° W of N at Jodrell Bank are attributed to large single blobs or localized aggregates. There was a marked fall of activity in 1952-3 with decrease of sunspot activity. Echoes without discrete structure occur mainly between 16 and 21 h, those with discrete structure between 18 h and 6 h. Annual variation shows a slight maximum in July-Oct. Geomagnetic locality, correlation with visual aurora and with magnetic activity are discussed. Evening echoes (13-21 h) moved westward, speed at 15 h being 600 m/s to west, night-morning echoes (22-6 h) moved eastward, speed being 600 m/s to east at 5 h. At 21 h, when echoes are at a minimum, mean speed is zero. (Item 6.8-349, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-45 Bullough, K.; Davidson, T. W.; Kaiser, T. R. and Watkins, C. D., Radio reflections from aurorae, Pt. 3, The association with geomagnetic phenomena, Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 11(3/4):237-254, 1957. 15 figs., 2 tables, 15 refs. DLC--This paper presents a further study of the radio-echo observations of auroral ionization, made on a frequency of 72 Mc/s between June 1949 and Oct. 1953, described in a previous paper of this series (BULLOUGH and KAISER, 1955). The data are compared with geomagnetic observations made at Eskdalemuir during the same period. A good correlation is found between the daily frequency distribution of the radio echoes and the mean daily variation in magnetic disturbance. The change from a positive to negative bay type of disturbance tends to occur between 2100 and 2200 hr local time and coincides with a minimum in the frequency of echo occurrence. This minimum separates the diffuse echoes (from westward-moving ionization) of the evening sequence and the discrete echoes (from eastward moving ionization) of the morning sequence. There exists a close correspondence between the occurrence of radio echoes and features in the magnetic disturbance. In a number of cases there appears to be a displacement in time between echo components and peaks in the magnetograms; it is suggested that this corresponds to the time of transit of the ionization between the reflecting region

and the magnetic meridian through Eskdalemuir (some 10° in magnetic longitude to the west). The probability of occurrence of 72 Mc/s echoes during a positive disturbance is approximately double that for a negative one, being 50% for $\Delta H > 100 \gamma$ and $\Delta H < -200 \gamma$. The results and conclusions appear in several aspects to conflict with the Chapman-Ferraro-Martyn theory of magnetic storms and aurorae. (Item 12B-36, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-46 Burkhardt, K., Radioechos am Nordlicht, (Auroral radio echoes.) Umschau, 54(11):342, June 1, 1954. 2 refs. DLC--Brief article on discrete and diffuse echoes. Radar echoes give the height of the auroral layer as 110 km with a range of not more than 5 km. (Item 5.8-280, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-47 Cain, Joseph C. (Geophysical Institute of the Univ. of Alaska), Auroral radio-echo table and diagram for a station in geomagnetic latitude 56° . Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 58(3):377-380, Sept. 1953. fig., table, ref. DWB--CHAPMAN has computed the echo geometry of radio signals reflected from auroras for the transmitter-receiver sites at geomagnetic colatitudes, $\alpha = 30^\circ, 45^\circ, 60^\circ$, and 90° . This paper computes the echo geometry for $\alpha = 34^\circ$, which is the geomagnetic colatitude of the Jodrell Bank Radio Experimental Station, of the University of Manchester, and is very close to that of the stations in northern United States which are concerned with radio echo work. (Item 5C-235, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-48 Chamberlain, Joseph W., Auroral rays as electric-discharge phenomena. Astrophysical Journal, Chicago, 122(2):349-350, Sept. 1955. 3 refs. DLC--Nearly constant luminosity of auroral rays over a large height and density range requires a compensatory mechanism which is not fully understood. Excitation could increase with height due to greater incident energy, and the number of collisions decrease with height due to decreasing density. A current density of 6×10^{12} electrons/cm² sec would be necessary for a ray 10^4 cm in diameter. An electron density of 10^6 cm⁻³ would be postulated for the lower part of the ray (in arcs 10^8 electrons/cm³). The current density is uncertain because the diameter of rays is uncertain. The theory advanced by author balances the electron and proton influx and penetration against the conductivity in the layers where the arcs form and leads to the conclusion that the electron may be accelerated downward by the pull of the protons and that when arcs recede the rays are left in position originally occupied by the latter. (Item 7.10-298, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-49 Chamberlain, Joseph W., Theories of the aurora. Advances in Geophysics, N. Y., 4:109-215, 1958. 21 figs., 113 refs., numerous eqs. DLC. Also reprinted as Chicago. Univ. Yerkes Obs., Williams Bay, Wisc., Contract AF 19(122)-480, Technical Report, No. 40.--A major critical summary and review of current knowledge of auroral physics and theory. Historical and observational aspects comprise Ch. 1; Motions of charged particles in magnetic fields, Ch. 2; STÖRMER's theory, Ch. 3; Electric currents from sun to earth, 4; CHAPMAN-FERRARO's theory and ring current, 5; ALFVEN's, HOYLE's and LEBEDINSKII's theories, 6; VESTINE and WULF's dynamo theory, SINGER's shock-wave theory, PARKER's theory of hydromagnetic displacement of lines of force, MARIS-HULBURT's UV-light and meteor theories, 7; and theories of auroral excitation, 8. (Item 9.9-17, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-50 Chapman, R. P. and Currie, B. W. (Physics Dept., Saskatchewan Univ., Canada), Radio noise from aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 58(3):363-367, Sept. 1953. fig., 13 refs. DWB--A search for radio noise of 10 cm wavelength from aurora during 1951 and 1952 with improved equipment was unsuccessful. The failure to detect the auroral radio noise, observed previously in 1949, is attributed to the decrease of the intensity of auroral displays and of sunspot activity. (Item 5C-236, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-51 Chapman, Sydney and Eckersley, T. L., Radio echoes and magnetic storms. Nature, London, 122(308):768, Nov. 17, 1928.--Brief note on Störmer's observation of auroral radio echoes at λ 31.4 m. (See ref. C-253). If streams of electrons emitted from the sun associated with aurora be the cause, as Störmer suggests, then this is the first direct evidence obtained of the density of the streamers since an electron density of 10^5 to 10^6 per cm^3 is required for these reflected signals.--W.N.
- C-52 Chapman, Sydney, The theory of magnetic storms and aurora. Nature, London, 168(4263):86, July 14, 1951. 5 refs.--A brief note suggesting the need for experimental work to test the various theories of magnetic storms and auroras.--W.N.
- C-53 Chapman, Sydney, The geometry of radio echoes from aurorae. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 3(1):1-29, Jan. 1953. 8 figs., 3 tables, 9 refs., eqs. DWB--An examination of discrete auroral echoes in which part of a radio beam is reflected back to sending station in Northern Hemisphere from aurora borealis, or possibly from an aurora australis stream beyond the atmosphere. The reflecting unit is taken to be an auroral ray lying along a line of force of the geomagnetic field.

Diagrams and tables show positions of surfaces reflecting radio beams of different elevations at stations in different latitudes. (Item 4.9-34, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.

- C-54 Chapman, Sydney, Aurora and airglow. Report from Subject group IV, of International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, at the 10th Assembly, Rome 1954. 7 p. refs. Mimeo.-- Objectives of aurora and airglow program suggested for IGY, 1957-8, are set forth and visual, photographic, spectroscopic, radio-auroral, rocket auroral and airglow measurements planned, are described in some detail. (Item 9.7-38, Met. Abs.) --M. R.
- C-55 Chapman, Sydney, The IGY auroral programme. International Geophysical Year, 1957/1958, Comité Spécial, Bulletin d'Information, No. 7:58-61, 1956. DWB--The objectives of auroral observations during the IGY are: an understanding of the nature of auroras, the solar emissions, the modes and periods of emissions from the sun, their courses to the earth and the ensuing luminous, electromagnetic and ionospheric processes near our earth and in the atmosphere. The immediate objective to increase our factual knowledge of the aurora. The auroral program during this IGY included the following: the synoptic picture by photographic methods and visual surveys, alerts and special world intervals for warning information, the photometry, spectrophotometry and spectrography, the possible transfer of equipment during the months of Arctic daylight, the radio detection of aurora, the auroral radio emissions, radio absorption and scattering associated with auroras, rocket studies, atmospheric electric field, auroral sounds. The principal experiments in the ionospheric program are included. (Item 10.6-34, Met. Abs.)--N.N.
- C-56 Chapman, Sydney and Little, C. Gordon, The nondeviative absorption of high frequency radio waves in auroral latitudes. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 10(1):20-31, Jan. 1957. 3 tables, 21 refs., 14 eqs. DWB--In auroral latitudes the nondeviative absorption of high frequency radio waves is much more irregular, and often much stronger, than in subauroral latitudes. It is greater and more frequent by day than by night; this is the converse of the daily variation of magnetic activity. The electrons that produce the absorption in subauroral latitudes are mainly caused by solar ultraviolet light; in auroral latitudes, often the major source is bombardment of the atmosphere by solar gas. According to J.A. VAN ALLEN's new interpretation of the soft radiation observed by himself and his colleagues in auroral latitudes, down to 50 km, a small minority of the primary bombarding particles generate X-rays, which penetrate further than the particles themselves. It is here

suggested that the layer ionized by these X-rays is an important factor in the daytime radio absorption. Also, as D. R. BATES has pointed out, Lyman-alpha radiation will be generated by the auroral protons; ionization of nitric oxide molecules by this radiation may also contribute appreciably to the absorption. The same processes of ionization will occur likewise at night, and often still more strongly; however, loss of the electrons to form negative ions by attachment is countered by photodetachment during the day, but not at night. Very tentative tables are given, based on these ideas, indicating ionospheric conditions consistent with greater daytime absorption than at night, even when the nighttime bombardment is twenty times more intense than that by day. The corresponding absorption relaxation times, and daily variation of magnetic disturbance, will be examined in a later note. (Item 8.6-179, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-57 Chapman, Sydney, Auroral observation in India and Pakistan. National Institute of Sciences of India, Calcutta, Bulletin, No. 9:180-192, Nov. 2, 1957. fig., 10 refs. Abstracted from reprint. DWB (523.74 C719rg)--Printed records remain of observations from at least eight places, in what is now India and Pakistan, of the great aurora of Feb. 4, 1872; their geographic latitudes range from 34° to 19° N (geomagnetic, 24° to 10° N). Hence this remarkable aurora may be called tropical as well as polar. These records are reproduced and discussed, and a plea is renewed for a search for further records of observations of this aurora (and possibly also others) from the Indian subcontinent. More important still, attention is drawn to the need for observation of future great auroras observable therefrom, and from elsewhere in low latitudes, and especially from high altitude observatories. The types of desirable observations and equipment are outlined. The possibilities of successful observation (on the rare occasions when nature provides the event) may be increased by keeping a special watch at times when there is an enhanced probability of their occurrence. Such times may be recognized with the aid of magnetic, radio and solar observations made on the spot, or they may be called attention to by an international center, as is planned during the International Geophysical Year 1957-58. (Item 10.11-265, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-58 Chapman, Sydney (Geophysical Inst., College, Alaska), Disturbances in the lower auroral ionosphere. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 15(1/2):29-37, Sept. 1959. 2 figs., table, 16 refs. DLC--The solar particles that enter the atmosphere and produce the luminous aurora are known to include protons, which also ionize the atmosphere.

As suggested by BATES, their ionizing action may extend below the level of their own penetration, by the Lyman α - photons they emit. These can penetrate to about 75 km, and ionize nitric oxide. Recent rocket researches by VAN ALLEN and his colleagues prove that the primary auroral particles also include electrons, with energies up to 100 keV. These penetrate to about 80 km, thus directly extending the auroral ionization well below the level of auroral luminosity. Indirectly these electrons ionize the atmosphere down to far lower levels, by the X-rays emitted by a small fraction of the electrons. WINCKLER's balloon results show that such ionization extends at least down to 32 km. This ionization below the level of the visible aurora accounts for most of the absorption, in auroral regions, of high frequency radio waves. Though the primary electron flux at night probably exceeds that by day, the secondary electrons are often more numerous (and absorbent) by day than by night. This is because, by day, photo-detachment prolongs the free life of these electrons, despite their ready attachment to oxygen. (Item 11F-18, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-59 Chestnov, F. I., Zagadka ionosfery, (Enigma of the ionosphere.) Moscow, Gosud. Izdat. Tekhniko-Teoreticheskio Literary, 1954. 54 p. 24 figs. Nauchno-populiarnaiia Biblioteka, No. 70. DLC--The detailed structure of the ionosphere is described and shown in an original schematic diagram. Ionization, twilight, night sky light, aurora, diurnal effects, magnetic field, magnetic storms and ionosphere, solar effects, radio propagation (long and short wave), ionospheric soundings by radio impulses, sunspot effects, forecasts of radio propagation, meteor traces, radio radiation from stars and rocket exploration of ionosphere are treated in condensed popular technical form. (Item 6D-235, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-60 Chivers, H. J. A. (Univ. of Manchester, Jodrell Bank Exper. Sta.) and Wells, H. W. (Carnegie Inst., Wash.), Observations of unusual radiofrequency noise emission and absorption at 80 Mc/s. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, N. Y., 17(1/2):13-19, Dec. 1959. 2 figs., 2 tables, 11 refs. DWB, DLC--Unusual radiofrequency noise emissions at 80 Mc/s have been identified during periods of solar activity. The noise enhancements may be classified as (1) smooth, bay-like disturbances lasting for approximately 1 hr which occur in both day and night hours, and (2) abrupt increases, often of large but fluctuating amplitude which occur within a few hours of local midnight. The smooth enhancements occur almost simultaneously with the absorption of radiation in a sector of the northern sky. These effects could be caused by transit of high velocity streams of charged particles which produce emission

from F region levels and absorption in the E region or below. The abrupt noise bursts at night are from the northern sky and seem to be associated with pronounced changes in the horizontal component of the earth's magnetic field. The noise may be a form of "auroral" radiation or may arise from propagation of solar noise outbursts from the sunlit to the dark hemisphere. (Item 11.7-164, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-61 Clegg, J. A. and Ellyett, C. D., Radio echoes from the aurora borealis. Nature, London, 160(4063):372, Sept. 13, 1947. 6 refs., eqs.--Radio echoes from a distance of 480 miles were obtained on 46 Mc/s, apparently arising from a luminescent cloud near the end of an aurora streamer. There was also general nonlocalized reflection from the same region on 46 and 72 Mc/s. The ionization density is estimated to have been $\sim 100 \times$ the average F layer night ionization.--Authors' abstract.
- C-62 Collins, C., Some observations of aurora using a low-power frequency modulated radar. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 36(7):926-934, July 1958. 5 figs., table, 18 refs. DWB, DLC--A frequency modulated, continuous-wave radar seems to be particularly well suited to the observation of auroral ionization, since it provides both range information and a Doppler indication of radial motion. An experimental equipment of this type has been operated for a few months near Ottawa. The system parameters are briefly considered and the radar observations are compared with similar measurements made with higher powered pulse systems. (Item 10.5-164, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-63 Collins, C. and Forsyth, P. A. (both, Defence Research Board, Ottawa, Canada), A bistatic radio investigation of auroral ionization. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 13(3/4):315-345, Feb. 1959. 13 figs., 2 tables, 32 refs. DLC--The scattering of radio waves in the upper atmosphere during auroral disturbances has been studied by means of a number of radio systems in which each transmitter was separated from its associated receiver by a distance of about 1000 km. Some twenty of these systems were used in a network covering a large area in Canada. The frequencies were in the range 30-50 Mc/s. At least four different kinds of auroral events are distinguishable. Of these, two appear to be associated separately with different phases of visible aurora, the third with a later stage in the auroral process which is not observed visually, and a fourth with the recurrent daytime absorption which often precedes an auroral disturbance. The term "radio-aurora", which applies to all of the events, is used to avoid confusion with that part of the auroral process which is observable visually. In these four

events, evidence is found for three separate scattering mechanisms, each of which has been proposed previously as the principal source of radar echoes from aurora. (Item 11.1-315, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-64 Conference on Auroral Physics, July 23-26, 1951, London, Ontario, Proceedings. Ed. by N. C. Gerson; T. J. Keneshea and R. J. Donaldson, Jr. U. S. Air Force. Cambridge Research Center, Geophysical Research Papers, No. 30, July 1954. 459 p. numerous tables, diagrs. (incl. photos) and eqs. Bibliogs. throughout. Alphabetical author and subject indexes. MH-BH--The papers collected in this volume have been abstracted separately. They cover the theory and physicochemical aspects of the aurora, sunlit aurora, radar or radio reflections from auroras, the airglow, laboratory investigations of upper atmospheric processes and auroral afterglow, interpretation of atmospheric emission, geomagnetic storms and aurora, solar and magneto-hydrodynamic waves and atmospheric absorption. Many references and a good index are included. (Item 6.9-3, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-65 Covington, A. E., Microwave sky noise. Journal of Geophysical Research, 55(1):33-37, March 1950. 4 figs., 7 refs. MH-BH--Radiation of 2800 mc was received from empty sky, equivalent to a temperature of ca. 50°K but with short time bursts from zenith. Examples are described, associated with magnetic disturbances, with aurora overhead and once with a sudden ionospheric disturbance. (Item 4.9-113, Met. Abs.) --C. E. P. B.
- C-66 Cox, J. W. and Davies, K., Statistical studies of polar radio blackouts. Canadian Journal of Physics, 32(12):743-756, 1954. 15 figs., 3 refs. --A statistical study of high-frequency radio blackouts in Canada is made from records taken at several ionosphere sounding stations. Both vertical incidence and communication data are examined to determine the geographical, seasonal and diurnal distributions of the frequency of occurrence of blackout. It is found that blackouts are most abundant in the morning and that the time of maximum occurrence increases with increasing latitude. --Authors' abstract.
- C-67 Currie, B. W.; Forsyth, P. A. and Vawter, F. E. (Physics Dept., Saskatchewan Univ., Canada), Radio reflections from aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, 59(2):179-200, June 1953. 7 figs., 5 tables, 19 refs. MH-BH--This paper outlines observations and experiences associated with a continuing investigation of radio echoes from aurora at Saskatoon, Canada. For the three frequencies investigated - 3000, 106 and 56 Mc/s - echoes have been observed with the last two. Echoes occur

when the auroral forms exhibit some ray structure and, then, only from parts of the aurora at elevations less than 15° above the horizon. Using range-amplitude and range-azimuth displays of echoes in combination with the corresponding photographs of the aurora, it is shown that the echoes originate from levels close to the lower edge of the aurora. Height distributions of the centers from which the echoes come agree closely with height distributions found from parallactic photographs of aurora in other regions. Using aerial arrays for the 106- and 56-Mc/s frequencies that are mounted on a rotatable tower so that each beam scans simultaneously the same part of the sky, the 106-Mc/s echoes are found to occur most frequently within the auroral zone and the 56 Mc/s echoes some distance to the south. Relative frequencies and diurnal variations of the two groups of echoes, as well as their heights and geographical distributions, indicate that echoes originate from a threshold process. It is suggested that the echoes arise by critical reflection from centers of high electron density (1.4×10^8 and 4×10^7 electrons per cm^3 , respectively) that are formed close to but above the levels where the electron collision frequency exceeds the gyrofrequency of the electrons. (Item 5C-237, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-68 Currie, B. W., Progress report of atmospheric ionization in Canada 1948-1951. I. U. G. G. Association of Terrestrial Magnetism and Electricity, Bulletin, No. 14, Transactions of the Brussels Meeting, :90-91, 1954.--This report covers primarily activities in Canada that come to the attention of the Sub-Committee on Atmospheric Ionization of the Associate Committee of the National Research Council of Canada on Geodesy and Geophysics. As such, it concerns itself with researches in atmospheric electricity, aurora and geomagnetic phenomena in so far as they indicate the ionic conditions of the atmosphere, ionospheric reflections of radio waves and meteor ionization. It does not concern itself with such matters as tropospheric propagation of radar waves, reflection of radar waves by precipitation, ozone content of the atmosphere and cosmic rays, each one of these fields of investigation falling more properly under the jurisdiction of other existing committees of the National Research Council.
- C-69 Currie, B. W., IGY aurora and airglow program. Ciencia, Mexico City, 16(11/12):309-316, 1956. 5 tables. DWB.--Special problems and techniques to be used during IGY in the auroral and airglow program, a list of the 100 Western Hemisphere stations from pole to pole making or intended to make visual, photographic and photoelectric observations of auroras, a list of 23 stations to make patrol-type spectrographic observations, 12 stations to operate high resolution spectrographs

and photoelectric scanning spectrometers during IGY, 13 stations to make auroral radar studies and 10 stations to make airglow observations, and a detailed account of the Canadian auroral program are included in this informative article. (Item 9.7-35, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-70 Davidson, D., Reflexion of high frequencies during auroral activity, Nature, London, 167(4242):277-278, Feb. 17, 1951. 2 figs., 2 refs. DWB--Ionosphere reflection of 17.31 Mc/sec waves observed at Concord, Mass. on Aug. 8, 1950 during strong aurora. (Item 2.7-193, Met. Abs.)
- C-71 De Kock, A. C., Het Noorderlicht. (Aurora borealis.) Hemel en Dampkring, 36(3):104-108, March 1938. plate (6 auroral photos). „DWB--The theories of HULBURT, BIRKELAND, VEGARD and STORMER on the origin of the aurora, conclusions as to the composition of the high atmosphere obtained from auroral spectra, laboratory models showing auroral rings and torus space, and the disturbance to radio communication caused by the great aurora of Jan. 25-26, 1938 are mentioned in this review article. (Item 5C-87, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-72 Dieminger, Walter, Die Ionosphäre und ihr Einfluss auf die Ausbreitung elektrischer Wellen. (The ionosphere and its influence upon the propagation of radio waves.) Ergebnisse der Exakten Naturwissenschaften, Berlin, Vol. 17:282-324, 1938. 31 figs., 153 refs., 20 eqs. --The purpose of this paper is to clarify the relationships between the ionosphere and radio wave propagation, specifically with regard to choice of frequencies under a variety of atmospheric conditions, times and seasons, as well as distances of path of communication. The introduction deals with the method of change of frequency and the echo method, followed by the discussion of (1) the theory of the ionosphere and (2) ionospheric observations under which subject headings the pertinent aspects are treated individually. The behavior of radio waves as influenced by meteors and aurorae is included. The bibliography envelopes the period 1925-1936.--W. N.
- C-73 Dieminger, Walter and Plendl, H., Abnormale Erscheinung in der Ionosphäre während des Nordlichtes vom 24.-25. Febr. 1939. (Abnormal phenomena in the ionosphere during the aurora of Feb. 24-25, 1939.) Beiträge zur Geophysik, 55(2):189-192, 1939. 3 figs., ref. DLC--Photographs of 80 m wave reflection during an unusual aurora, presented for the surface wave and the different F layers, show distinct disturbances and a general increase of the reflecting light. (Item 5C-98, Met. Abs.)--A. A.

- C-74 Dieminger, Walter, Neue Ergebnisse der Ionosphärenforschung. (Recent result of ionospheric research.) Die Umschau, 44(3):37-40, Jan. 21, 1940. 8 figs.--Measured virtual height versus frequency during times of magnetic storm and polar light. Describes normal characteristics of E and F layers. Points out geographical study of F2 and shows it behaves as if there were two ionizing components, one seasonal, and the other annual. The annual component is not yet found. (Annual has maximum simultaneously in both hemispheres, seasonal does not.) Describes abnormal E reflections, storms.--L. A. Manning.
- C-75 Dieminger, Walter, Zwei Arten der abnormalen E-Schicht. (Two kinds of E layer.) Die Naturwissenschaften, 33(5):154, Sept. 1946. 6 figs., 2 refs.--Discusses the difference between the types of sporadic E ionization found at medium and high latitudes. Compares curves showing the percentage of time for which sporadic E appears above 4 Mc/s at Tromsø, Oslo, and Kochel. Tromsø shows a maximum frequency of occurrence at night, the others near noon. Shows monthly distribution of occurrence. Tromsø, the high latitude station, shows little seasonal change, while Oslo and Kochel show a pronounced peak in occurrence in the summer, a minimum near December. He suggests that two causative mechanisms appear to be active in producing the two types of sporadic E. That active in the north might be called "Nordlicht-E".--L. A. M.
- C-76 Dostal, E., Betrachtungen zur Erklärung des Weltraumechos des Polarlichtes und der magnetischen Störungen. (Explanatory notes on the worldwide auroral echoes and the magnetic disturbances.) Annalen der Physik, Leipzig, 5(14):971-984, Oct. 1932. 7 figs., 7 refs., 3 eqs.--The present theoretical attempts to explain the phenomenon are summarized, followed by a brief discussion in terms of the geometric optics and the physical nature of the reflecting "wall".--W. N.
- C-77 Dowden, R. L. (Commonwealth Ionos. Prediction Serv., Hobart, Tasmania), Low frequency (100 kc/s) radio noise from the aurora. Nature, London, 184(4639), Supp. No. 11: 303, Sept. 12, 1959. 7 refs. DWB--A report of "hiss" observations carried out at Hobart, Tasmania. Five frequency channels were operated simultaneously, covering the gap from the normal "hiss" frequencies to the controversial 100 kc/s band. The center frequencies of these channels were 4.6, 9.6, 27, 70 and 180 kc/s. The observations establish that "hiss" can sometimes occur at frequencies up to 180 kc/s, at least, suggesting that extraterrestrial noise much below a megacycle might be a "hiss" rather than "cosmic noise". (Item 11.10-167, Met. Abs.)--I. S.

- C-78 Dowden, R. L. (Ionospheric Prediction Service, Hobart, Tasmania), Ionospheric thermal radiation at radio frequencies in the auroral zone. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, N. Y., 18(1):8-19, April 1960. 6 figs., 2 tables, 11 refs. DLC--Measurements of the temperature of the ionospheric D-region in the auroral zone from observations of 2 Mc/s radio noise are described and compared with measurements similarly made in the temperate region. The temperatures of the undisturbed and disturbed ionospheres at the two latitudes are found to be essentially similar, but the disturbing influence in the auroral zone is probably corpuscular rather than ultraviolet radiation. (Item 11.10-324, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-79 Driatskii, V. M. and Besprozvannaia, A. S., Ionospheric conditions in the circumpolar region. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 14(4):438-455, Oct./Dec. 1958. 13 figs., 11 photos, 3 refs. DLC--Ionospheric observations from the drifting station SP-3 during the period May 15, 1954 to April 14, 1955, and especially observations made during the Arctic night, are given. The authors give a short description of the characteristics of the apparatus and of the magnetic field state. The results of the observations are given for the normal E layer, the E_{sporadic} ionization, the E₂ sporadic ionization, the normal F₁ and F₂ layers and the anomalous absorption of radio waves. Of greatest interest are the results received under the conditions of the Arctic night in connection with the F₂ layer. The critical frequency for F₂ layer during this period was unexpectedly high, reaching 5-6 mc at times. The evident sporadic type of the layer being expressed in the sharp change of the critical frequency in the layer from hour to hour and from day to day, a definite connection with the state of the magnetic field proves its corpuscular nature. At the same time, the distinct shape of height-frequency diagrams, normal for reflections from the F₂ layer, stipulated by a wave radiation, can hardly be taken to agree with the corpuscular conception. It is still impossible to solve the problem of the nature of observed high ionization in the F₂ layer during a Polar night. (Item 11.1-53, Met. Abs.)--A. V.
- C-80 Duncan, R. A. and Ellis, G. R., Simultaneous occurrence of sub-visual aurorae and radio noise bursts on 4.6 kc/s. Nature, London, 183(4675):1618-1619, June 6, 1959. 3 figs., table, 3 refs. DLC--Observations at Camden, near Sydney (geom. lat. 42°S) of enhanced emission toward the south of the red oxygen (6300 Å) airglow are interpreted as sub-visual aurorae. Simultaneous radio noise at 4.6 kc/s shows a definite correlation, both related to magnetic disturbance and tending to occur when the disturbance index (K) > 5. The one can occur without the other and is explained. (Item 11.10-168, Met. Abs.)--W. N.

- C-81 Dyce, Rolf Buchanan, Auroral echoes of fifty megacycles obtained at College, Alaska. American Geophysical Union, Transactions, 35(2):375, April 1954. --CW and pulse methods were used to study returns from the aurora at 50 mc/sec during the summer of 1953, the equipment being located near the center of the auroral zone. Aurora was frequently seen in all parts of the sky but the VHF echoes were obtained only from azimuth angles within 60° of magnetic north and with ranges of from 200-900 km but chiefly 400-700 km. A vertically-pointing antenna was used in an attempt to obtain echoes from overhead visible aurora but results were negative. Most of the echoes were therefore originating far north of the zone of maximum auroral activity. These data support the view that strongest echoes will be obtained when looking roughly perpendicular to the Earth's magnetic field. CW signal-strength recordings with antenna directed northward yield a diurnal variation of auroral propagation similar to results obtained at Ithaca, N. Y.
- C-82 Dyce, Rolf Buchanan, Communication aspects of V.H.F. auroral reflections. Cornell Univ. School of Electrical Engineering, Ithaca, N. Y., Technical Report 23, June 1, 1955. Unchecked. Microfilm available. DLC (AC 1, Publication No. 15,011)--Experiments on frequencies around 50 Mc/s in northeastern United States and northern Alaska show the following: (1) The occurrence of auroral reflections have distinct diurnal, seasonal, and solar activity variations; (2) the reflection condition is that the transmitted and reflected rays should be nearly perpendicular to the magnetic field at the position of the aurora; and (3) the fraction of incident energy reflected is on the order of 10^{-4} . The effects of auroral reflections on VHF communication circuits are discussed. -- Author's abstract.
- C-83 Dyce, R. B., VHF auroral and sporadic E propagation from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Ithaca, N. Y. Institute of Radio Engineers, Transactions on Antennas and Propagation, AP 3(2): 78-80, April 1955. 8 figs., 14 refs. DLC--The results of a total of 13,595 hours of valid observations with a 50 Mc transmitter from April 1952 to May 1954 are presented and discussed. A simple and effective technique for separation of sporadic E and auroral ionization is described. The diurnal variation for each type was determined; one being a nighttime, the other a daytime phenomenon. The seasonal variation determined for each mode of propagation showed maximum sporadic E at solstices and auroral signal minimum. Successful correlations with (a) visual aurora occurrence and (b) ionospheric sounder data were made. --W. N.

- C-84 Dyce, R. B. (Geophysical Inst., College, Alaska and Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N. Y.), Auroral echoes observed north of the auroral zone on 51.9 Mc/sec. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 60(3):317-323, Sept. 1955. 3 figs., 9 refs. DLC--During Nov. 1954, a simple radar system designed for observation of auroral echoes at 51.9 Mc/sec, was operated at Point Barrow, Alaska. Because this location is north of the accepted maximum of the auroral zone, most of the visible aurora is seen to the south of the observing station. The radar used a continuously rotating antenna to see with equal sensitivity in all directions, but more than 90% of the echoes were obtained from directions north of east and west. Echoes were obtained only from 500 to 1100 km. These effects are explained by the theory of MOORE (See ref. C-207 208) as enlarged by BOOKER, GARTLEIN, and NICHOLS (See ref. C-28), requiring near-perpendicularity of radio ray paths to the lines of the earth's magnetic field. During visible aurora, propagation at 51.7 Mc/sec was investigated over an 800 km path from College to Barrow, across the auroral zone. Bursts of signal due to meteor ionization were readily observed. Propagation associated with aurora was almost nonexistent, even with visible aurora at the mid-path. If the theory of auroral echoes of HARANG and LANDMARK (See ref. C-127) were true, auroral propagation should have been readily detected. (Item 7.10-70, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-85 Dyce, R. B.; Dolphin, L. T. et al. (all, Stanford Res. Inst., Calif.), Aurora-like radar echoes observed from 17° latitude. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 64(11): 1815-1818, Nov. 1959. 2 figs., table, 8 refs. DLC--Anomalous echoes are regularly observed by a shipborne radar located at Antigua, British West Indies. These echoes, observed at 32 and 140 Mc/s, have many of the characteristics of echoes from the auroras observed in the Arctic, although visible auroras should not be observable at Antigua more frequently than once in 7 yrs. Similar observations at Stanford Univ. indicate a correlation with one kind of sporadic E ionization. (Item 11F-33, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-86 Eastwood, E.; Isted, G. A. and Bell, J. D., Radar echoes from the aurora at 1300 Mc/s. Nature, London, 189(4759): 115-117, Jan. 14, 1961. 2 figs., 2 tables, 8 refs. DLC--Experimental results of 2 years observations with a high power L-band radar operating at 23 cm λ are discussed. It is shown "that the departure from the 90° reflexion condition is less than $\pm \frac{1}{2}^\circ$, and that the region of the ionosphere where the auroral reflexions take place is of the order of 20 km thick". The mechanism responsible for the aurora at 1306 Mc can be explained by Booker's scattering theory. --W. N.

- C-87 Eckersley, T. L., An investigation of short waves, Institution of Electrical Engineers, Proceedings, 67(392):992-1032, Aug. 1929. 30 figs., 4 tables, eqs. DLC--Long paper dealing mainly with scattering, etc. Computes shape of pulse transmitted after random (like gas molecule) scattering. Analyzes effect of dispersion on pulse shape, and finds f must be very near the critical value to produce appreciable pulse blurring. Quotes Chapman on time for diffusion: at 100 km mean free path is 12 cm, so diffusion over 100 meters of electrons would take less than one second, but of positive ions about 27 min. At 125 km, 11 sec. Gives much data on directions of arrival of signals. Discusses atmospheric "whistlers" heard when an audio amplifier is connected to an antenna. Shows them most frequent during magnetic storms. Attributes to dispersion of click resulting from sudden stopping of α particles in the atmosphere. Considers mechanical analogy. In discussion, J. E. Taylor wonders whether "whistlers" aren't due to meteors, especially as they are heard at night. Eckersley wondered, but could find no reason why they should be, thinks Störmer's theories explain charged particles on dark side of earth. --L. A. Manning.
- C-88 Egan, R. D. and Peterson, A. M., Auroral noise at H.F. Journal of Geophysical Research, 65(11):3830-3832, Nov. 1960. 2 figs., 13 refs. DLC--A brief review of previous studies of auroral noise at HF is followed by a report that riometer records during the large magnetic storm of Nov. 27-28, 1959, recorded intense aurorally associated absorption at Meanook, Alberta. On that night a low latitude red aurora was present. The 3-hr Kp index reached a maximum value of 8. There is a close correlation apparent between the noise peaks recorded at Stanford, California, and absorption peaks at Meanook. The records taken at Pullman, Wash., indicate that both absorption and noise are present, and consequently, only the net effect was measured. Possible mechanisms for the generation of auroral noise include radiation from accelerated electrons in the Van Allen belt. Synchrotron radiation from trapped electrons in the outer Van Allen region that are mirrored at a lower height as a result of a magnetic disturbance is regarded as the most likely mechanism for the noise observed at Stanford. Reference is made to the work of Dyce and Nakada (1959), Schwinger (1949), Chivers and Wells (1959). The experiments (direct measurement of the flux density in the outer Van Allen belt as a function of energy) made by Walt Chase, Cladis, et al (1960) are described. Arnold Hoffman's and Winkler's (1960) work with Explorer VI data is reported. In summary it is suggested that auroral noise does not correlate with daily magnetic indices, although there is a general over-all storm period correlation. --E. Z. S.

- C-89 Egeland, Alv; Hultqvist, Bengt and Ortner, Johannes (all, Kiruna Geophys. Observ. Kiruna, Sweden), A day-time maximum of oblique auroral reflexions observed in the auroral zone. Nature, London, 185(4712):519, Feb. 20, 1960. fig., 8 refs. DWB--From four months records of aurorally propagated very high frequency signals taken in the auroral zone at Kiruna, a diurnal variation curve with two maxima has been found. One of these maxima is in day time between 1200 and 1600 M.E.T. The experimental points include all observed reflections. The day time echoes have the same signal characteristics observed as night echoes on the Esterline Angus records. The direction distribution for day and night maxima is approximately the same; this has been determined by means of rotary antennae. (Item 12A-63, Met. Abs.)--E.Z.S.
- C-90 Ellis, G. R., Low frequency radio emission from aurorae. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 10(5/6):302-306, 1957. 2 figs., table, 11 refs., 2 eqs. DWB--This paper discusses the possibility that Cerenkov radio emission by auroral particles approaching the earth may contribute to the level of the continuous component of atmospheric radio noise observed at frequencies of hundreds of kilocycles per second. It is shown that, provided the Cerenkov process is valid at radio frequencies, the flux density of the radiation may be as high as $10^{-21} \text{ W m}^{-2}(\text{c/s})^{-1}$ at these frequencies, well above the minimum observable using current techniques. The frequency range of the emission would extend from a few hundred kc/s to low audio frequencies. (Item 8.10-302, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-91 Ellis, G.R.A. (Upper Atmosphere Section, CSIRO, Camden, N.S.W.), Low frequency electromagnetic radiation associated with magnetic disturbances. Planetary and Space Science, N. Y., 1(4):253-258, Sept. 1959. 5 figs., 2 tables, 13 refs., eqs. DWB, DLC--Continuous observations of the amplitude and spectrum of naturally occurring radiation in the band 2-40 kc/s were made during the period June to December 1958 near Sydney, Australia. A large number of isolated noise bursts lasting for some hours were detected. The intensity ranged from 6×10^{-19} to $6 \times 10^{-17} \text{ W m}^{-2}(\text{c/s})^{-1}$ at 4.6 Kc/s. Three main types of bursts were identified and classified on basis of their spectra which usually extended from 3 to 5 Kc/s and 2 to 30 Kc/s, respectively. Major bursts, which were always of the latter two types, were clearly associated with strong auroral and magnetic activity and some showed a reproducible sequence of amplitude variation lasting about 36 hrs. On three occasions, a detailed correspondence between intensity of the noise and of simultaneously occurring red oxygen air-glow was observed. Theories and origin of the noise are discussed. (Item 11.9-134, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-92 Ellis, G. R. A.; Cartwright, D. G. and Groves, J. R. V., Spaced observations of radio noise from the outer atmosphere. Nature, London, 184(4696, Supp. No. 18):1391-1392, Oct. 31, 1959. fig., ref. DWB--It was suggested by G. R. A. Ellis that during some types of radio noise storms in the Earth's outer atmosphere, the source of noise may remain in constant position in right ascension. In this case the arrival of the storm will be recorded at the same local time at places of different longitude rather than simultaneously. In a majority of the cases noise bursts were recorded simultaneously at Camden and Adelaïd. A distinct time delay was observed only during a major geomagnetic storm and aurora. (Item 11.12-321, Met. Abs.)--A.H.J.
- C-93 Fanselau, Gerhard, Über die Störung der Ionosphäre vom 24-26 Januar 1949. (On the disturbance of the ionosphere from Jan. 24-26, 1949.) Zeitschrift für Meteorologie, 3(4):100-110, April 1949. 6 figs., 5 tables. DWB--On Jan. 21st two large spots approached central meridian of sun. A magnetic storm began on Jan. 24th and is described in detail. Reception of the 1,250 m space radio wave from Kalundborg showed great variations. 27-day recurrences are clearly shown in Potsdam magnetic character figures from December to March. Associated auroras on Jan. 24-26 are listed and described. (Item 1.5-116, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-94 Fendler, Ernst, Die ionosphärisch bedingte Übertragung ultra-kurzer Wellen. (Ultra short wave transmission affected by ionospheric activity.) Hochfrequenztechnik und Elektroakustik, 56(2):41-47, 1940. 13 figs., 12 refs., eq. DLC--The purpose was to determine whether, how, and at what time of day and seasons the ionospheric propagation of $\leq 12 \text{ m } \lambda$ would be most favorable, considering the dependency of solar activity. Propagation through the E layer during abnormal ionization, the relationships between aurora borealis and ultra short radio wave propagation are discussed with some remarks on transmission power and antennas. Peculiar propagation conditions occurred in winter during aurora borealis. --W.N.
- C-95 Ferrel, Perry, Jr., Aurora U.H.F. propagation. Radio, Santa Barbara, Calif., No. 256:20-22, 74, Feb. 1941. fig. DLC--The so-called "Aurora-dx" signals at 43.0 and 44.10 Mc associated with bright aurora displays, ionospheric and magnetic disturbances are discussed. Auroral effects on FM reception, Doppler effect and periodicity are also considered. The disturbances were at minimum in June and December, maximum in March and September. More severe storms occur in the northern hemisphere when the moon is below the earth's equator. --W.N.

- C-96 Fleischer, R. (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.), Auroral absorption of 18 Mc/s cosmic radio waves on Feb. 11, 1958. Nature, London, 181(4616):1156, April 19, 1958. fig. DWB--This preliminary report illustrates graphically the appearance of the spectacular auroral display observed widely in the United States on the night of Feb. 11, 1958. Observation of its effect on the 18 Mc/s cosmic noise from the sky was made at the Sampson Station (lat. $42^{\circ}47'N$; long. $73^{\circ}27'W$). A description of the method of obtaining such sudden absorptions of cosmic noise is recorded briefly in the Astron. Journ., 62:243, 1957. (Item 12B-184, Met. Abs.)--N. N.
- C-97 Forsyth, P. A.; Petrie, W. and Currie, B. W., Auroral radiation in the 3000 megacycle region. Nature, London, 164(4167):453, Sept. 10, 1949. DLC--Pulses of radiation of duration 1.5μ sec, arriving in a random manner in bursts of short duration (< 1 sec) were observed visually on the indicator of a radar set with transmitter off. Auroral origin was confirmed by observations of 20 aurorae, the part of the display to which the receiving aerial pointed at any time being photographed. Some correlation between frequency of pulses and intensity and type of aurora was found.
- C-98 Forsyth, P. A.; Petrie, W. and Currie, B. W., On the origin of ten centimeter radiation from the polar aurora. Canadian Journal of Research, Sec. A, 28(3):324-335, May. 1950. 7 tables, 25 refs., eqs. DLC--Short-lived bursts of 10 cm radiation from auroral displays have been received by radar equipment. The sources of continuous radiation from a partially ionized medium are briefly discussed. From a knowledge of the constants of the equipment used it is deduced that the power density at the receiver is at least 2×10^{-10} watts per m^2 and it seems that the most likely source of this radiation is a plasma oscillation of the ionized volume associated with the auroral display. If it is so, the electron density in at least localized regions must be of the order 10^{11} per cm^3 . --Authors' abstract.
- C-99 Forsyth, P. A.; Petrie, W; Vawter, F. and Currie, B. W., Radar reflexions from auroras. Nature, London, 165(4197): 561-562, April 8, 1950. 7 refs., 2 eqs. DLC--Report of investigation at Saskatoon, Canada. Radar equipment operating at a frequency of 3000 Mc/sec detected no radio echoes from auroras but well-defined and persistent echoes appeared on the 106.5 Mc/sec equipment. It could not be determined if the reflection came from the lower, brighter regions of the display or from higher points. Offers an explanation for absence of echoes on the 3000 Mc/sec frequency. (Item 4J-187, Met. Abs.)--M. L. R.

- C-100 Forsyth, P. A. (Physics Dept. Univ. of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada), Radio measurements and auroral electron densities. Journal of Geophysical Research, 58(1):53-66, March 1953. 3 figs., table, 13 refs., 15 eqs. DWB--Radar echoes from aurora have been recorded simultaneously at frequencies of 56 and 106.5 Mc/sec. The ratio of the echo amplitudes at the two frequencies varies between wide limits. An attempt is made to reconcile the experimental evidence with (i) partial reflections from the surfaces of large ionized regions in the aurora, (ii) scattering from inhomogeneities in the auroral ionization, and (iii) critical reflections from small volumes of intense ionization. It is concluded that (iii) is responsible for the typical auroral echoes which are observed at Saskatoon, although (ii) may be responsible for echoes of small amplitude which are often observed in the early stages of an auroral display. If these conclusions are correct, the occasional existence is indicated of electron densities of 10^8 per cm^3 in small volumes of the aurora. (Item 4J-231, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-101 Forsyth, P. A. (Univ. of Saskatchewan), Radio wave reflections from aurorae. U. S. Air Force. Cambridge Research Center, Geophysical Research Papers, No. 30:117-135, July 1954. 11 figs., 17 refs. MH-BH--Radio wave reflections from auroras were reported by a number of workers including HARANG and STOFF-REGEN, PIERCE, LOWELL, CLEGG and ELLYETT, and ASPINALL and HAWKINS. Such reflections have been interpreted by HERLOFSON (See ref. C-141) as being due to partial reflection of the radio waves at the boundaries of the auroral structures. According to this interpretation, the electron density within an auroral structure could be as low as $4 \times 10^4/\text{cm}^3$. Radio observations of auroras have been made at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, for the past two years, utilizing radar equipment operating at 106.5 Mc/s. Due to the nature of the apparatus used, the reflections were restricted to auroral forms located from 600 to 1100 km distant and elevated less than 7.5° above the horizon from the observing site. The auroral forms most frequently observed by the radar method were the rayed arcs and rayed bands. The auroral origin of the radio wave echoes was confirmed by comparing the radar records with photographs of the same region of the sky, both types of observations being made simultaneously. (Item 6.9-332, Met. Abs.)--From author's abstract.

- C-102 Forsyth, P. A. and Vogan, E. L., The frequency dependence of radio reflections from aurora. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 10(4):215-228, 1957. 6 figs., 10 refs., 10 eqs. DWB--Auroral radio reflections on 4 frequencies (32-50 Mc/s) transmitted from Greenwood, Nova Scotia, were received at Ottawa, 860 km to west. Periods of enhanced signals on one or more frequencies were often associated with auroral activity. Results are compared with those expected with various reflection mechanisms. They point conclusively to small auroral scattering centers in which ionization is sufficient to cause complete reflection, but suggest that localized absorbing regions are associated with each auroral display. (Item 8.8-126, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-103 Forsyth, P. A. (Univ. Saskatchewan), On the geometry of radio reflections from aurora. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 38(5):593-603, May 1960. 5 figs., 15 refs. DWB, DLC--By assuming that auroral radio reflections are produced by volume scattering in clouds of ionization having the same spatial configuration as the visible auroral structures, and by taking into account the radar pulse duration and antenna beam width, it is possible to predict the probability of echo occurrence as a function of range and azimuth. This echo distribution is quite similar to that observed experimentally even when "aspect sensitivity" of the individual scatterer is neglected. Unfortunately, the optical evidence is not sufficiently extensive to permit precise calculations to be made, nor the radio evidence to permit detailed comparisons, but previous estimates of the shape of the scattering structures that have been based on the azimuthal echo distribution without regard to the factors discussed here are likely to be seriously in error. (Item 11.10-170, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-104 Forsyth, P.A.; Green, F.D. and Mah, W., The distribution of radio-aurora in central Canada. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 38(6):770-778, June 1960. 5 figs., 2 tables, 10 refs. DWB, DLC--Five bistatic v. h. f. radio systems were operated in central Canada during the IGY for the purpose of detecting auroral ionization. Consistent records were obtained for a period of 5 months and these records have now been analyzed. Two types of events were detected. The nighttime (A) events occur most frequently in the auroral zone and characteristically are observed simultaneously at two points separated by about 300 km. The daytime (S) events occur simultaneously over a much larger area. The time of maximum occurrence of A events becomes later with decreasing latitude whereas the reverse is true for S events. The

variation with latitude of the occurrence of A events is similar to that of other auroral phenomena. (Item 12A-76, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-105 France. Meteorologie Nationale and Societe Meteorologique de France, Bibliographie Meteorologique Internationale, Nouvelle Series, v. 1-7, 1933-1939; (Unnumbered), 1946-. Last issue received, 1952, Fasc. 1-2. v. 1-6, pub. 1934-1949; v. 7, n.d.; issues for 1946-pub. 1946-. Title varies: v. 1-2, Bibliographie Internationale de Meteorologie Generale; v. 3-Bibliographie Meteorologique Internationale. DLC, DWB--Classified and partially annotated (in French) bibliographies covering periodical literature from all over the world. The material is arranged according to the U. D. C. scheme for meteorology (551.5). An author index and a subject index (with corresponding U. D. C.) are included. References to aurora will be found under 551.594.5, 551.594.51, 551.594.52 and 551.594.53. 1952 issued by WMO as its OMM, No. 17. (Item 5C-65, Met. Abs.)--M. L. R.
- C-106 Fricker, S. J.; Ingalls, R. P.; Stone, M. L. and Wang, S. C. (all, Lincoln Lab., M. I. T.), UHF radar observations of aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 62(4):527-546, Dec. 1957. 14 figs., 2 tables, 6 refs. DLC--Radar returns from aurora have been observed on a 412.85 Mc/s pulsed bistatic radar, located at South Dartmouth, Mass. Results obtained during two observational periods, Sept. 19 to Oct. 6, 1956, and Nov. 29 to Dec. 21, 1956, are given in terms of occurrence and position data, together with typical returns obtained on A-scope and range-time intensity modulated displays. Positions of observed returns are compared with positions computed on the basis of requiring beam perpendicularity to the earth's magnetic field. Indications are that returns may be obtained from regions which are 2° to 3° off perpendicular, and that returns at larger off-perpendicular angles may be limited by a height factor. The returns appear to be limited to the height range of 90 to 160 km approximately. (Item 9.7-100, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-107 Fulton, B. J.; Petrie, L. E. et al. (all, Defence Res. Board, Ottawa, Canada), Transient modes of high frequency radio wave propagation across the auroral zone. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 16(1/2):185-186, Oct. 1959. ref. DWB, DLC--Records of sweep frequency oblique incidence radio soundings from the observations between Winnipeg and Resolute Bay since Oct. 1958, as illustrated on photographs, and indicating extra reflections, are analyzed. Their characteristics depend on the size and electron density of the irregularity and its position to the F layer. --O. T.

- C-108 Gadsden, M. (D.P.L. Auroral Station, Awarua Radio, Invercargill, N.Z.), Studies of the upper atmosphere from Invercargill, New Zealand, Pt. 2, Correlation of the radar echoes and magnetic activity. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 15(3):395-402, July/Sept. 1959. (For Pt. 1, see ref. C-273; for Pt. 3, see ref. 109). 4 figs., 2 tables, 4 refs. French and English summaries p. 395. DLC--Six months' operation of a 55 Mc/s radar has shown echoes occurring in 545 cases out of a possible 1220 three-hour periods. Analysis of this data reveals that the probability of occurrence of echoes increases with increasing magnetic K-index, and that this probability is closely related to the local K-index rather than the planetary K-index. Evidence is found for a "radar auroral zone" whose size increases with increasing magnetic activity. It is shown that radar echoes are observed in the daytime to a lesser extent than suggested by the diurnal variation of local K-index. (Item 11.6-117, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-109 Gadsden, M., Studies of the upper atmosphere from Invercargill, New Zealand, Pt. 3, Radar echoes and visual aurorae. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 15(3):403-411, July/Sept. 1959. (For Pt. 1, see ref. C-273; for Pt. 2 see ref. C-108). 3 figs., 2 plates, 2 tables, 10 refs. DLC--Evidence is presented and discussed that leads to the conclusion that there is no direct connection between radar echoing regions observed at 55 Mc/s, and visible auroral forms. It is illustrated by graphs that the diurnal variation of the occurrence of an echo observed at any range presents a broad maximum at midnight, whereas the observed auroral probabilities show fairly large fluctuations from hour to hour. An indirect association exists since both aurorae (all - and rayed aurorae) and radar echoes have a greater probability of occurrence as the K-index increases. But it is also shown, and illustrated by comments of several authors, that for high levels of magnetic activity a one-to-one correspondence does not exist. Finally, the analysis of series of simultaneous photographs of rayed auroral forms and of the radar A-scope shows that radar echoes are not to be identified with the rayed arc. (Item 11.6-118, Met. Abs.)--A. V.
- C-110 Gerson, N. C., Radio observations of the aurora on Nov. 19, 1949. Nature, London, 167(4255):804-805, May 19, 1951. fig., 3 refs. DLC--The phenomenon which is termed "auroral interaction" generally describes the reception of radio signals at a given location from a northerly direction, even though the transmitting station may be to the east, west, or even south of the receiver. In many instances, the transmitting and receiving stations which are able to establish radio

communication through auroral interaction are located geographically so that they cannot communicate with each other during normal ionospheric conditions. When visible aurora is present, these stations may establish contact with each other by means of auroral interaction only when the directional antennae at both locations are directed 'northwards'. It was assumed that the portion of an aurora which has the greatest light intensity was also that portion which allowed auroral interaction to take place. Experimental procedures are described and it is concluded that the experimental method may be employed for the detection of the aurora when visual observations are difficult because of bright moonlight, scattered light or general cloudiness. The antenna beam width employed by the amateurs is about $30-35^{\circ}$, making it difficult to determine accurately the azimuth of any particular radio ray received from the aurora; however, narrower beam widths undoubtedly could be employed to provide much greater accuracies. It would also be expected that analyses of the rates and character of the garbling and fading of the returned signals would provide valuable information on the mass and velocities of the bombarding particles. --E. Z. S.

- C-111 Gerson, N. C. (Air Force Cambridge Research Center), The Colloquium on auroral physics. Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, Journal, 253(4):331-338, April 1952. DLC--The colloquium was held at London, Ontario on July 27-28, 1951 under the joint sponsorship of the Geophysics Research Division of the Air Force Cambridge Research Center and the University of Western Ontario. The author presents a concise but informative summary of the discussion of the four sessions. The first session, with B. FRIEDMAN as chairman, was on "Electromagnetics as applied to auroral problems" and covered the following topics: "(a) the passage of a neutral stream of ionized matter from the sun toward the earth; (b) the interaction of this neutral plasma with the geomagnetic field to cause a ring current (and the early and late phases of magnetic storms); and (c) the subsequent movement of charges along the magnetic lines of force toward the terrestrial atmosphere eventuating in the observed luminosities." The theories of CHAPMAN and FERRARO on auroras and magnetic storms and MARTYN's extension of these theories were reviewed and MALFORS' experiment on the terrella was described. R. W. B. PEARSE was moderator of the second session which discussed "Interpretation of auroral and airglow spectra". The molecular spectra and atomic lines possibly present in the auroral spectra were considered as they relate to the composition of the ionosphere (80-400 km) and mesosphere (400-1000 km). Conclusions are drawn as to the positive existence of certain bands and lines and doubtful existence of others. "Quantum

mechanics as applied to auroral problems" was the subject of the third session presided over by TA-YOU-WU. "This meeting considered the vitally important but very much neglected field of cross sections for collision of atomic, molecular, and ionized particles found in the ionosphere and mesosphere (a) to each other and (b) to the auroral bombarding particles." The fourth session was under the chairmanship of D. R. Bates. "Laboratory investigations of mesospheric processes" was the topic. In this session various experiments which have been undertaken, or are planned, to study various processes in the ionosphere and mesosphere were explained. (Item 3.11-278, Met. Abs.)--M.L.R.

- C-112 Gerson, N. C. (U.S.A.F. Cambridge Res. Center, Geoph. Res. Directorate), A note on auroral interaction. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 4(1/2):81-82, 1953. DWB--Several explanations are possible for the modulation of radio frequencies when reflected from auroral curtains. The probability is that the phenomenon is caused by a Doppler effect. However, this effect would be 5 to 50 times as great as is actually observed, assuming ionospheric winds of 250 km/hr. More probable results could be produced by assuming that the reflections come from the sides, not the ends of the approaching stream of solar protons. A few quantitative values for the models are given in tables. (Item 7.9-266, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-113 Gerson, N. C., Radio observations of the aurora. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 6(5):262-267, May 1955. fig., table, 6 refs. DWB--Radio wave probings mostly on 50 Mc/s North America showing auroral interaction in 1949-51 are listed. Monthly variation shows maximum frequency in April and Sept.-Oct. (Item 6.9-333, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-114 Gerson, N. C., Diurnal variation in auroral activity. Physical Society of London, Proceedings, Ser. B, 68(7):408-414, July 1, 1955. 3 figs., 19 refs. DWB--The variation deduced from analysis of radio contacts between amateurs in North America (50-60° geomagnetic N) in 1949-51 by waves incident obliquely to the ionized aurora showed a strong maximum at 21 h 75th W meridian time, about the time of greatest auroral activity; 86% of the contacts fell between 17 and 24 h. The period of contact was longest in April, May and Oct. It does not seem to depend on geomagnetic control. (Item 7.2-283, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.

- C-115 Götzt, Friedrich Wilhelm Paul and Penndorf, Rudolf, Das Nordlicht vom 24./25. Februar 1939 in Arosa. (Aurora of Feb. 24-25, 1939, in Arosa.) *Naturwissenschaften*, 27(15): 241-243, April 14, 1939. 3 figs. DLC--A carefully detailed account of the conditions accompanying a brilliant auroral display which reached its greatest intensity at 11:28 p.m. on Feb. 24, and which reached 20° above the N horizon at 12:40 a.m. Feb. 25, just prior to the taking of the two vivid photos which are presented. A chart shows the course of the 3 magnetic elements at Collm Observatory, Leipzig, for the night in question, with arrows indicating times of greatest auroral activity so they may be correlated with the evident magnetic activity. The display was not visible in Norway but a magnetic disturbance (150 milliamperes) prevented telegraph communication between Norway and the Continent. (Item 5C-99, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-116 Greenhow, J. S.; Neufeld, E. L. and Watkins, C. D. (all, Univ. of Manchester), The scattering of 36 Mc/s radio waves by weak auroral ionization. *Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics*, London, 18(2/3):174-180, June 1960. 3 figs., 10 refs., 2 eqs. DLC--Some observations of weak back-scatter echoes similar in type to the echoes associated with visual auroras are described. With an equipment of high sensitivity at a frequency of 36 Mc/s, these echoes are present to the north of Jodrell Bank (lat. 53° N, geographic; lat. 56° N, geomagnetic), for up to 30% of the observing time. The irregularities in ionization, which are aligned along the earth's magnetic field, have a length scale of 160 m and a scattering polar diagram with a width of approximately $\pm 3^{\circ}$. The horizontal dimensions of the ionized regions are about 500 km along parallels of geomagnetic latitude, and 50 km at right angles to this direction. Echoes from horizontal layers of ionization, associated with the field aligned irregularities, are also observed. (Item 12A-91, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-117 Gusev, P. I., Poliarnye siianiia i verkhnie sloi zemnoi atmosfery. (Auroras and the upper layers of the earth's atmosphere.) (In: *Vsesoiuznaia Konferentsiia po Izucheniiu Stratosfery*, Leningrad, 1934, Trudy, p. 283-289, 1935. 6 refs., eqs.) Not trans. into English. DLC--An article reviewing the progress in study of the height, structure and composition of the atmosphere from 80 to 1000 km which has resulted from studies on the physics of the aurora and auroral spectra beginning with BIRKELAND's (See refs. C-23, 24) famous demonstration of the analogy between the aurora and laboratory models using cathode rays, and his conclusions regarding the corpuscular radiations from the sun, and later

work of VEGARD (See refs. C-276, 277) in identifying auroral spectra lines. Theory which allows calculation of temperature in auroral layers is presented. MARIS and HULBERT's UV theory of aurora is also reviewed critically. Ionization and radiowave reflection from ionosphere also considered. (Item 5C-68, Met. Abs.)--M.R.

- C-118 Gustafsson, Georg; Egeland, Alv and Aarons, Jules, Audio-frequency electromagnetic radiation in the auroral zone. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 65(9): 2749-2758, Sept. 1960. 9 figs., table, 18 refs. DLC-- During three one-month periods, continuous spectrograms of the electromagnetic energy in the spectral region between 10 cps and 10 kc/sec were recorded in Kiruna, Sweden. The records were examined from the viewpoint of background energy. Throughout the entire frequency band studied, there is a low daytime signal level and a nighttime maximum. The ratio of the maximum to minimum amplitude varies as a function of frequency (the higher maximum-to-minimum ratio occurs at the lower frequency range of 20 to 200 cps) and with the season of the year. It is concluded that the daytime ionosphere absorbs the energy throughout the entire spectrum studied. It was found that, although strong deviations of the signal level from the normal were often associated with geomagnetic disturbances, there was a general lack of correlation between magnetic index and low-frequency noise, except in the 10 to 45 cps frequency range. The origin of the background signals is probably two-fold, atmospherics from great distances as well as magnetic and exospheric fluctuations contributing to the lower band. On eleven occasions, electromagnetic radiation associated with micropulsations of the earth's magnetic field was detected. Two frequency bands were identified: one centered at 750 cps, which is the gyro frequency for protons at an altitude of 100 km above Kiruna; and the other ranging between 1.8 and 4.5 kc/s, which has been identified as hiss. On all but one of the occasions when emissions were detected the 750 cps signals were quite stable in frequency. During four of the longest periods when radiation was recorded, the low frequency emissions were received between two phases of a magnetic storm; micropulsations were simultaneously evident on the Kiruna magnetograms. (Item 11.12-324, Met. Abs.)-- Authors' abstract.
- C-119 Hagg, E. L. and Hanson, G. H., Motion of clouds of abnormal ionization in the auroral and polar regions. Canadian Journal of Physics, 32(12):790-798, Dec. 1954. 10 figs., 3 refs. DLC--Examination of records taken in rapid succession at ionospheric stations in Northern Canada has revealed

three distinctive types of echoes corresponding to clouds of ionization in motion. One type is ascribed to clouds of sporadic E moving horizontally over the station. The second type is believed to be due to clouds of ionization descending vertically from the F region to the E region, while the third type appears to be from clouds moving at extremely high velocities in the E region. Reflections of the second and third types have been seen only at stations in or north of the auroral zone. The characteristics of the echoes, the velocities of the clouds, and other associated phenomena are discussed. --Authors' abstract.

- C-120 Hagg, E. L.; Muldrew, D. and Warren, E. (all, Defence Res. Board, Shirley Bay, Ottawa), Spiral occurrence of sporadic E. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 14(3/4):345-347, June 1959. 2 figs., table, 5 refs. DWB, DLC--High density sporadic E, as observed at high latitudes, is distributed in a spiral form very much like Störmer's precipitation spiral for negative particles shown in comparison with results obtained at 11 selected stations (1944-1955). Tabulated sporadic E is here considered only in a single variety, namely when the vertical incidence reflection of a frequency > 5 Mc occurred (or 7 Mc for 3 stations). --W. N.
- C-121 Hakura, Yukio; Takenoshita, Yugoro, and Otsuki, Toshiharu (Hiraiso Radio Wave Obs., Radio Research Lab.), Polar blackouts associated with severe geomagnetic storms on Sept. 13, 1957 and Feb. 11, 1958. Japan. Science Council. Ionosphere Research Committee, Report of Ionosphere Research in Japan, 12(4):459-468, 1958. 7 figs., 18 refs. DWB, DLC--Examining through the world-wide ionospheric disturbances on Sept. 13, 1957 and Feb. 11, 1958, outstanding features of polar blackouts associated with severe magnetic storms have been discovered. A distinct region of abnormal ionization (usually called polar blackouts) appears in the polar region well before (about 20 hours) the onset of the geomagnetic storms. Such an ionized region builds up in the polar cap by the time of the sudden commencement (SC) of magnetic storm, and then spreads toward lower latitudes as the geomagnetic storm develops. A rather spiral-like pattern of the abnormal ionizing region is formed during the main phase of magnetic storm. Individual world-wide patterns of abnormal ionization, which are deduced from F_{min} data, are shown for the respective stages of magnetic storm. It is quite a remarkable fact that some corpuscular invasion exists in the polar cap well before the SC of magnetic storms without inducing any appreciable world-wide geomagnetic disturbance. Spiral precipitation of particles indicates a rather complicated mechanism of the corpuscular intrusion

into the earth's upper atmosphere, suggesting the revival of the old Birkeland-Störmer theory. Some discussions about these phenomena are also given. (Item 12.3-134, Met. Abs.) --Authors' abstract.

- C-122 Hakura, Yukio and Takenoshita, Yugoro (both, Hiraiso Radio Wave Obs., Radio Res. Labs.), On the short wave transmission disturbance of Feb. 11, 1958. Japan. Science Council. Ionosphere Research Committee, Report of Ionosphere Research in Japan, 12(1):10-15, 1958. 5 figs., 3 refs. DWB, DLC--The storm was of unusually large scale and was accompanied with intense radio disturbance. Herein, the data obtained at Hiraiso Radio Wave Observatory are discussed and graphically presented. A fading rate counter was also used to investigate the detailed characteristics of propagation conditions. The present discussion is confined to the changes of field intensity levels and fading rates of 4 circuits, WWV, SF, WWVH and JJY. Then locations are shown on a map. The main features discussed and graphically represented are: 1) a sudden change of fading rate in WWV immediately after the onset of magnetic storm, 2) a southward shift of the fluttering fading of radio waves during the course of a magnetic storm; 3) an unusual rise of nighttime field intensity levels and fading rates of JJY and WWVH which coincides with the appearance of auroral echoes in the ionospheric record of vertical incidence observations. (Item 12A-92, Met. Abs.)--I. S.
- C-123 Harang, Leiv and Stoffregen, W., Der Polarizationszustande der Radiowellen bei der Reflexion Schichten, die während erdmagnetischen Störungen und Nordlichter gebildet werden. (Polarization of radio waves reflected from the ionized regions formed during magnetic disturbances and auroras.) Hochfrequenztechnik und Elektroakustik, 53(6):181-187, June 1939. 11 figs., 16 refs., 5 eqs. DLC--Purpose of the experimental investigation discussed was to check the polarization of normal E and F echoes at vertical incidence. To this end, a 50 kW transmitter and with the receiver at 300 m distance were used at 3-8 McHz. Film strip recording shows that echoes from the E layer, ionized during magnetic disturbances and aurora, were of the two circular component type, of which the predominant component in comparison with normal E echoes was the lesser absorbable one. --W. N.
- C-124 Harang, Leiv, Vertical movement of the air in the upper atmosphere. Journal of Geophysical Research, 41(2):143-160, 1936. DLC--Considers auroral heights and radio echoes, and considers among other things three-fold splitting of traces. Shows pictures. --L. A. Manning.

- C-125 Harang, Leiv and Stoffregen, Willi, Echoversuche auf ultrakurzwellen. (Echo experiments with USW.) Hochfrequenztechnik und Elektroakustik, 55(4):105-108, April 1940. 4 figs., 4 refs., 3 eqs. DLC--Experiments were conducted at Tromsø Observatory using λ 7.3 m with the purpose of investigating possible USW echoes from 60-100 km during a severe geomagnetic storm and aurorae. This was negative but reflections were obtained from an auroral display in zenith (equivalent reflection distance of 400-800 km). Other experiments from the altitudes 8-20 km and at 17 km are also described. --W.N.
- C-126 Harang, Leiv, Experimental studies of the reflection of radio waves from the ionized regions. Geofysiske Publikasjoner, Oslo, 13(4); 1942. 24+ p. 28 figs., 2 tables, 23 refs., eqs. DLC--Discusses observational results of: (1) the state of polarization of radio waves reflected from ionized layers formed during terrestrial magnetic storms and aurorae; (2) scattering of radio waves from great virtual distances; (3) scattered reflections from the niveau of the E layer; and (4) reflections of ultrashort waves from the ionized regions. These studies were conducted during April, May, June and December 1938, and January 1939, at Tromsø where the inclination of the earth's magnetic field $\varphi = 69^{\circ}.7$ N, $\lambda = 18^{\circ}.9$ E.Gr.) is about 77° . Instrumentation and techniques employed for each study are described in detail. (1) E and F layer echoes were studied during (a) normal, (b) small and (c) strong terrestrial storms. The transmitter and receiver operating at the frequency range 3-9 Mc were interspaced by 300 m. It was found that (a) the echoes largely consisted of the ordinary component; (b) frequently both components were distinctly reflected even on lower frequency, indicating steep gradient electron density at the lower E layer edge; and (c) when the echo was about to vanish on higher frequencies, only the extraordinary component was reflected. Hence, a quantitative estimation of maximum electron density of a layer produced during a storm is feasible. (2) A high-power transmitter operating at 7-13 Mc enabled reflections equal to 500-2500 km virtual distances. Four different phases in diurnal variation are tabulated. Scattering heights varied from 500-800 km down to 150-200 km during stronger perturbations. (3) Since the observed "life-timed" echoes of 1/2 to 2-3 sec duration showed a frequency curve almost identical to Appleton and Piddington's from southeast England, and which involves the height interval at the lower boundaries of aurorae; careful observations at 200-400 km were made when the E region echoes were most frequent. No scattered echoes were observed however. (4) On Dec. 16 during a violent magnetic storm associated with intense (red) aurora in zenith,

echoes on 7.3λ were observed as irregular scattering from 400-800 km. Simultaneous control at 1-15 Mc gave no echoes implying a measure for upper limit of maximum value electron density of terrestrial magnetic storm and aurorae produced layers. Echoes from 8-20 km as received with adjusted equipment interspaced at 150, 900 and 2000 m showed no fading indicating lateral rather than vertical deflections. It may well be that these echoes are explainable by local topographic scattering of the USW. --W.N.

- C-127 Harang, Leiv and Landmark, B., Radio echoes observed during aurorae and terrestrial magnetic storms using 35 and 74 Mc/s waves simultaneously. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, N. Y., 4(6):322-338, 1954. DLC. (See ref. C-200 and C-284)--Observations have been made at Kjeller, Lillestrøm and at Tromsø (near the auroral zone) using pulse transmitters operating simultaneously on 35 and 74 Mc/s. These transmitters were supplied from common pulse modulator and HT units and gave 25 kw output into geometrically similar, rotatable, Yagi aerial systems. The echoes received were displayed on a twin beam oscilloscope with a common time sweep. The presence of echoes was closely connected with geomagnetic and auroral activity but there was no correlation between the position of the aurora in space and the range of the echoes. Further, when the aerials were pointed at intense auroral forms no echoes were received. Echoes could only be observed when the aerials were directed at a low angle of elevation toward the North. It is concluded that these echoes are not due to direct scatter from the ionosphere or from auroral structures, as assumed previously, but can only be explained as back scatter from land or sea after reflection at an intense E_s layer formed along the auroral zone during aurorae and geomagnetic storms. An analysis of the characteristics of the echoes and the differences in the echo ranges on 35 and 74 Mc/s support this hypothesis. Different types of echoes are described and the results of polarization measurements summarized. Correlation in time between the echo amplitudes is studied by means of double pulse modulation, the time interval between the pulses being variable. Possible passive radiation from the aurora in the 10 cm band could not be detected with the equipment available. --Authors' abstract.
- C-128 Harang, L. and Trøim, J. (both, Div. Telecommunications, Kjeller, Lillestrøm, Norway), Determination of the angle of arrival of auroral echoes. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 14(1/2):107-110, April 1959. 3 figs., 5 refs. DLC--The angle of arrival, θ , of auroral echoes is measured by an interference method. The variation of θ with

echo range R is demonstrated. θ varies from 15° to 6.5° when the range increases from 400 to 730 km. The height of the reflection area must lie at 100-120 km. (Item 11.9-125, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-129 Harrison, D. P. and Watkins, C. D., A comparison of radio echoes from the aurora, Australis and Aurora Borealis, Nature, London, 182(4627):43-44, July 5, 1958. figs., 4 refs. DLC--The Royal Society's expedition to Halley Bay has provided an opportunity for a simultaneous study of the aurora australis and borealis by the radio echo technique, and a preliminary account of the results is given in this note. Full details of the equipment are given in the IGY Annals, 3, Pt. IV, 337 (1957) by Lovell, A. C. B. Preliminary results on the occurrence of auroral echoes for the period May-October 1957 have been compared with the Jodrell Bank results for the same period. Echoes from the aurora australis have been detected at Halley Bay on 134 out of 164 days of observation, whereas on only 13 days were echoes from the aurora borealis obtained at Jodrell Bank. A study of the echo geometry at both locations shows that the echoes are obtained from the region where the line of sight is normal to the local magnetic field at a height of about 110 km rather than from along a line of geomagnetic latitude as originally proposed by Bullough and Kaiser (1954). (See ref. C-43). --E. Z. S.
- C-130 Harrison, D. P. (Jodrell Bank Experimental Station, Univ. of Manchester), Auroral radio echoes at Halley Bay, Royal Society of London, Proceedings, Ser. A, 256(1285):229-234, June 21, 1960. 5 figs., 9 refs. DLC--The echoes observed are shown to fit closely the case of specular reflections from columns of ionization aligned along the local magnetic field at a height of about 100 km. (IRE, Proceedings, Abs. No. 570).
- C-131 Harrison, V. A. W. (DSIR, Radio Res. Sta., Slough, Bucks), An unusual ionospheric disturbance in the Antarctic on June 30 to July 1, 1957, Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, N. Y., 18(1):72-75, April 1960. 2 figs. DLC--Recordings of changes in declination, D, of the earth's magnetic field were made at Port Stanley and also at the FIDS magnetic observatory in the Argentine Islands a few miles from Port Lockroy, and it is therefore possible to compare the ionospheric observations obtained at the two stations with magnetic recordings made nearby. At Port Stanley the first phase of the storm was associated with the presence of scattered reflections from the F region -- there were no significant abnormalities in the D layer of the ionosphere during the period. After 1900 UT on June 30 unprecedented

departures from typical storm behavior were observed at both Port Stanley and Port Lockroy -- the echoes showed unusually large spread. At Port Lockroy the F layer was so disturbed and spread echoes so intense that no estimate of critical frequencies or even of the ranges in which they might lie was possible. Conditions returned to normal by 1400 UT on July 1. --E. Z. S.

- C-132 Hartz, T.R.; Reid, G.C. and Vogan, E.L. (all, Radio Physics Lab., Def. Res. Board, Shirley Bay, Ottawa, Ont.), V.H.F. auroral noise, Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 34(7):728-729, July 1956. fig., 6 refs. DWB, DLC--FOR-SYTH, PETRIE and CURRIE reported in 1949 (See ref. C-97) noting radio frequency radiation from the aurora, though later studies failed to support such occurrence. The present report shows radio frequency (32 Mc) emissions at the time of an aurora on March 21-22, 1956. The fact that it was also noted on 50 and 53 Mc/s rules out the possibility that it was from a distant station. The signals might, however, originate from the disturbed ionosphere at the time of an aurora. On numerous other occasions similar signals or noise has been recorded at the Radio Physics Lab., Ottawa, at the time an aurora was observed visually and recorded on a magnetometer, and a photomultiplier directed at the northern sky. (Item 8.10-297, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-133 Hartz, T. R., Auroral radiation at 500 Mc. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 36(6):677-682, June 1958. 2 figs., 14 refs. DWB, DLC--An observation of radio noise emissions at 500 Mc, from a type A red auroral display which occurred on Oct. 21-22, 1957, is reported. The circumstances surrounding this phenomenon are considered, and the unusual display is linked to a large flare on the sun some 30 hrs earlier. It is concluded that an unusually large particle flux for the ejected solar matter would produce sufficient ionization in local regions of the ionosphere so that auroral radio emissions would be possible. (Item 10.5-256, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-134 Hawkins, G. S., Observations of the aurora borealis by radio methods at the Jodrell Bank Experimental Station of the University of Manchester. I.U.G.G. Association of Terrestrial Magnetism and Electricity, Brussels, 1951, Transactions, pub. 1954. p. 229-234. 6 refs. DWB--The auroral displays, briefly reported in this note, were studied at Jodrell Bank by the reflection of radio energy from the associated regions of ionization. Five sets of apparatus were used each consisting of an aerial system, pulsed transmitter, and receiver. The apparatus details are tabulated. Results obtained with each set are

discussed and graphically represented. Photographs of echoes showing diffuse and discrete aurora on different dates are reproduced. (Item 12A-100, Met. Abs.)--I. S.

- C-135 Helbronner, Paul, Sur l'aurore polaire du 3 septembre et sur son action dans les transmissions radiotélégraphiques. (The polar aurora of Sept. 3 and its effect on radio transmission.) Académie des Sciences, Paris, Comptes Rendus, 191(14): 536-538, Oct. 6, 1930. DLC--Brief comments are given on the auroral influences on the radio links Paris - New York; Japan - France; Beyruth - Paris; Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires. --W. N.
- C-136 Hellgren, Gösta and Meos, Johan (Res. Lab. of Electronics, Chalmers Univ. of Techn., Gothenburg), Localization of aurorae with 10 m high power radar technique, using a rotating antenna. Tellus, 4(3):249-261, Aug. 1952. 18 figs., 11 refs. DLC--The paper describes the 10 m high power recorder with a rotating antenna that is used since May 1951 for the localization of aurorae at the Radio Wave Propagation Laboratory of the Kiruna Geophysical Observatory (67° .8 N, 20° .5 E). Continuous observations during the time of May 1951-March 1952 have disclosed periods of auroral activity. The preliminary results from these observations indicate that there is a good correlation between the auroral activity, the magnetic activity, and the appearance of the N₁ layer, a special type of sporadic E ionization often appearing in connection with magnetic bays and supposed to be caused by the same ionizing agent as the aurora. The distribution in range and bearing of the recorded aurorae agrees with the simple theory that most of the radio wave scattering comes from those points where the radar beam is perpendicular to the surface of the auroral discharges. The calculated height distributions of the reflection centers have maxima around 120 km. (Item 4.6-247, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-137 Hellman, Gustav, Repertorium der deutschen Meteorologie. (A reportory of German meteorology.) Leipzig, Wilhelm Engelmann, 1883. 995 p. chart, table. DLC--Approximately 60 references to works of German authors on Aurora and Auroral theories are listed on p. 687-688, 690. (Item 5C-255, Met. Abs.)--M. L. R.
- C-138 Henderson, J. P., Aurora and radio. Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Journal, 17(8/10):374-378, Nov./Dec. 1923. DLC--With the sharp electrical discharges, possibly also streamer aurorae, clicks are heard in radio receivers and no particular relation was found to exist regarding good or bad reception. Clicks and grinders are probably results

of thunder storm conditions somewhere. With corona and brush discharges, also waving curtain aurorae, hisses are heard. It is likely that with aurorae like sounds might be produced but of such audibility outside of its wireless manifestations or its laboratory analogues there is still question. Good receiving conditions nearly always accompany arc and curtain aurorae. --Author's abstract.

- C-139 Heppner, J.P.; Byrne, E.C. and Belon, A.E. (Univ. of Alaska, College, Alaska), The association of absorption and Es ionization with aurora at high latitudes. Journal of Geophysical Research, 57(1):121-134, March 1952. 6 figs., 2 tables, 8 refs. --Nocturnal Es ionization and "no echo" occurrences, as recorded on H'f records, have been classified according to the absence or presence of aurora and to its form when present in the zenith areas. The analysis supports the following generalizations: (1) Es ionization increases at successively greater heights as aurora approaches the College zenith from the north. (2) In the presence of different non-pulsating auroral forms the Es ionization varies with changes in auroral form in a manner similar to the change in luminosity. Likewise, variations in the height of maximum ionization parallel variations in auroral heights. (3) Complete absorption is only slightly more frequent during non-pulsating aurora than during absence of aurora but prevails in the presence of pulsating aurora. Geomagnetic relationships are discussed. (Item 4.2-286, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-140 Heppner, James, Association of absorption and sporadic E ionization with aurora at high latitudes. Alaskan Science Conference, 2nd, Mt. McKinley National Park, Sept. 4-8, 1951, Proceedings, p. 278-279, (pub. 1953?) DWB--Analysis of vertical incidence measurements of nocturnal E ionization and absorption shows that: 1) when aurora is not present in evening, high frequency traces show F layer but no E layer. When aurora is present E layer is always present. 2) E_s ionization increases at successively greater heights as auroral arc approaches zenith from N. 3) Changes in height of maximum electron density parallel changes in auroral height. 4) Erratic radio transmission may be due to scattered reflection from non-pulsating auroras, whereas absorption is more nearly related to pulsatory auroras. 5) Conditions associated with pulsatory auroras resemble those during magnetic bays. Correlations may differ with changes in geomagnetic latitude near auroral zone. (Item 5C-263, Met. Abs.)--M.R.

- C-141 Herlofson, N., Interpretation of radio echoes from Polar auroras. *Nature*, London, 160(4077):867-868, Dec. 30, 1947. 2 refs., 4 eqs. DLC--Quantitative consideration of the strength of the echoes observed by Lovell et al, indicates that the electron density must be $> 4 \times 10^4$ and $< 2.6 \times 10^7$ electrons/cm³. The former figure postulates a thin reflecting layer with sharp boundaries, and even the latter figure indicates diffuse boundaries < 3 m thick. Since such boundaries could not persist as long as 20 min, it is suggested that the observed echoes were reflected from the vertical surfaces of a stationary discharge (auroral arc) at a height of 200 km above the brightest area.
- C-142 Hoffmeister, C. and König, Hermann, Nordlicht-Beobachtungen auf der Sternwarte Sonneberg der Deutschen Akademie der Wissenschaften. (Observations of auroras at the Sonneberg Observatory of the German Academy of Sciences.) *Die Sterne*, Leipzig, 34(5/6):125-126, 1958. DLC--Review of the observations of auroras during the night of March 1-2, 1957 at 23 h 40 and during the night of June 30-July 1, 1957 at 23 h. The first notice of increase of solar activity and visibility of the auroras was given by Moscow. The Göttingen Geophysical Institute registered a magnetic storm during the night of June 30-July 1, 1957. Transatlantic radio-communications were interrupted. The aurora was also observed at Bonn University. (Item 11.2-297, Met. Abs.)--A.V.
- C-143 Institute of Radio Engineers, N. Y., Proceedings, Vol. 43, No. 11, Pt. 2, Nov. 1955, Index to abstracts and references 1946-1953. 189 p. Author Index and Subject Index for each year, and List of Journals for years 1948-1953. DLC--Eight separate author indexes, 8 subject indexes and 6 journal indexes for the respective years are bound together in an excellently printed, 3 column to the page publication which, unfortunately, is almost illegible without a magnifying glass. The author indexes contain abbreviated titles and reference to abstracts. Subjects under which abstracts of interest to meteorologists may be found include absorption, anemometer, hot wire, atmosphere, troposphere, ionosphere, microwaves, radar, wave propagation, meteorology, atmospheric, aurora, cosmic radiation, meteors, geomagnetic storms, geomagnetism, astronomy and radio, refractive index, etc. (Item 7.11-60, Met. Abs.)--M.R.

- C-144 Isaev, S. I., Podgotovka k issledovaniiam poliarnykh siianii v Murmanske. (Preparations for the study of auroras at Murmansk.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR. Mezhdovedomstvennyi Komitet po Provedeniiu Mezhdunarodnogo Geofizicheskogo Goda, Informatsionnyi Biulleten', No. 3:86-87, 1957. fig. DLC-- Thirty four stations situated in high geomagnetic latitudes of Antarctica, Arctic, Murmansk, Yakutsk, Cape Chelyuskin, etc., have been equipped with special (large) wide-angle photo cameras (C-180) for photographing auroras. One of these cameras installed at the Murmansk branch of the Scientific Research Institute of Terrestrial Magnetism, Ionosphere and Radio Wave Propagation of the Ministry of Communication U.S.S.R. (M. O..NIZMIR) was tested in March 1957 at Murmansk. More than 3000 photographs of auroras of various intensity, cloud conditions and of other weather peculiarities were made. Films of auroras taken every minute and ionograms were obtained (latter was carried out at the automatic panoramic ionospheric station). A two month course for the training of observers for polar stations of the Northern Sea Route, attended by 20 students, took place in February - March 1957. (Item 11.2-298, Met. Abs.)-- A.M.P.
- C-145 Isaev, Sergei Ivanovich and Pushkov, N. V., Poliarnye siianiia. (Auroras.) Illus. by G. N. Gamon-Gamon. Moscow, Akademiia Nauk SSSR, 1958. 111 p. 50 figs., 14 plates, 5 tables. At head of t.p.: Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Nauchno-Populiarnaia Seriia. DLC (QC971.178)--A popular (25,000 copies) scientific, but very substantial and scholarly, monograph on the aurora in all of its geographic, esthetic and physicochemical aspects. The 12 separate chapters discuss in concise form, with effective illustrations or graphs (taken mainly from original Soviet sources), the history of study of the aurora, auroral charts, forms and classification, geographic distribution, relation to magnetic storms, to solar phenomena, knowledge of composition and temperature of upper atmosphere from auroral data, radar location of auroras, spectroscopic and photometric studies, theories, effect on radio propagation and, finally, a chapter by G. N. GAMON-GAMON entitled Moi zarisovki poliaenykh siianii (My auroral sketches), gives the history of the excellent sketches of 14 auroral displays which are appended. These were made in 1937-38 at Tulom near Murmansk. The present work is mainly devoted to Russian investigations and workers from LOMONOSOV to IGY. (Item 11.5-9, Met. Abs.)--M.R.

- C-146 Israëli, Hans, Extraterrestrische Einflüsse auf das luftelektrische Feld. (Extraterrestrial influence on the atmospheric field.) Germany. Deutscher Meteorologischer Dienst im Französischen Besatzungsgebiet, Wissenschaftliche Arbeiten, 1:62-67, 1947. 2 figs., table, 17 refs. In German; German and French summaries p. 67. DLC--The four extraterrestrial causes of the atmospheric electric charges which vary from day to day are: 1) cosmic rays; 2) corpuscular radiation from the sun; 3) UV discharges from the sun; and 4) sunspot and related activity. Numerous attempts have been made since 1872 to show a quantitative relation between aurora and electric charge in the atmosphere. A chart (after J. SCHOLZ, 1935) shows a rise in the electric field, increase in current and conductivity about 15-20 min before an aurora and a sharp drop at onset to a minimum about 10 min after the onset of the aurora. Other authors' theoretical explanations of positive charge without aurora and negative or < positive during aurora are presented. (Item 5.11-220, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-147 James, J. C.; Bird, L. E.; Ingalls, R. P. et al., Observed characteristics of an ultra-high frequency signal traversing an auroral disturbance. Nature, London, 185(4712):510-512, Feb. 20, 1960. 3 figs. DWB--An experimental study was made to determine the characteristics of ultra-high-frequency signals propagated through auroral type disturbances. The experiment was performed by illuminating the moon from a site in the auroral zone and receiving the reflected signals from the moon at two sites in mid-latitudes. Each site used an antenna having two orthogonal polarizations. It was found that an auroral disturbance in the path of propagation causes a rapid fluctuation in the polarization angle of the signal received, and an increase in the rate of fading of the signal received, but no measurable absorption of the signal itself. The observed rapid changes in polarization angle are probably due to changes of electron content of the ionosphere of the order of 10^{-17} electrons in a vertical column of 1 sq m cross section. (Item 12A-113, Met. Abs.)--E. Z. S.
- C-148 Kaiser, T. R. and Bullough, K. (Jodrell Bank Exper. Stat., Univ. of Manchester Lr. Withington, Macclesfield, Cheshire, Eng.), Radio echoes from aurorae. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 11(3):279-283, July/Sept. 1955. 5 figs., 9 refs. DLC--Radio echo auroral observations made at Jodrell Bank from 1950 to 1953 are analyzed. A systematic picture is obtained of the spatial distribution and motion of the reflective ionization. A close correlation of the results is found with visual auroral and magnetic data. (Item 12A-116, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-149 Kaiser, T. R. (Dept. of Physics, Univ. of Reading, Berks), Radio investigations of aurorae and related phenomena. (In: The airglow and the aurorae: a symposium, London, Pergamon, 1956. p. 153-173. 8 figs., table, 41 refs., eqs.) DWB--The paper discusses in some detail the characteristics of auroral ionization as revealed by metre wavelength radio-echo observations in the auroral and subauroral regions. A close association between the radio echoes, visual auroras, magnetic activity, and radio star scintillations is revealed. A similar correspondence appears to exist between low frequency auroral type echoes and scintillations in the minauroral region, although these show some marked differences from the high-latitude phenomena. Some suggestions are made for the future lines of work, particularly during the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58. (Item 3.7-341, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-150 Kaiser, T. R. (Dept. of Physics, Univ. of Sheffield 10, Eng.), The geometry of auroral ionization. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 62(2):297-298, June 1957. 2 figs., 5 refs. DLC--A note comparing the interpretation of results obtained by the author at Jodrell Bank in 1954, with the interpretations of PETERSON (1955) at Stanford. It is explained that the pattern of radio echoes from auroral and auroral-type ionization agrees with the hypothesis that it is distributed along an arc which follows a parallel of magnetic latitude, rather than with the assumption of extreme specular reflection from narrow columns of ionization aligned with the earth's magnetic lines of force. (Item 12A-118, Met. Abs.)--E. Z. S.
- C-151 Kaiser, T. R., Relationships between auroral ionization and magnetic disturbance. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 14(1):76-79, Jan./March 1958. 3 figs., 7 refs. DLC--This report presents results from a detailed analysis of the correlation between characteristics of auroral ionization and geomagnetic disturbances. The magnetic disturbance is associated with spatially localized regions of intense ionization moving horizontally along a magnetic parallel of latitude. It suggests that, while the ionized clouds must preserve nearly electrical neutrality, there is a net drift of negative charge in the direction of motion of the ionization. This is from the dark to the sunlight hemisphere and is thus opposite to that predicted by MARTYN in his extension of the CHAPMAN-FERRARO corpuscular stream theory. It also appears that, for a given magnitude of magnetic disturbance, the ionization during positive bays is more intense than during negative ones. This supports the view that the morning maximum may become relatively less pronounced at higher radio frequencies. (Item 10.1-359, Met. Abs.)--A. V.

- C-152 Kavadas, A. and Glass, D.G., Polarization of radar echoes from aurora. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 37(6): 690-697, June 1959. 6 figs., 5 refs. DWB, DLC--Auroral radar echoes at very high frequency received at antennas sensitive to linearly polarized components in directions symmetrical to the plane of polarization of the vertically polarized transmitted wave and the ground plane indicate that the received wave, in addition to an unpolarized component, contains a linear component of polarization tilted in the general direction of the earth's magnetic field lines. (Item 11.4-113, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-153 Kenrick, G.W.; Braaten, A.M. and General, J., The relation between radio transmission path and magnetic storm effects. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 26(7): 331-347, July 1938. 12 figs. DLC--This paper presents the results of a quantitative study of the relationship between the proximity of great circle transmission paths to the magnetic pole and of signal stability during terrestrial magnetic disturbances. Reception from Europe, as observed at Riverhead, Long Island, and San Juan, Puerto Rico, is compared during normal and disturbed periods. A brief description of the duplicate equipment and antenna systems employed at the two locations is included. --E. Z. S.
- C-154 Kim, J. S. and Currie, B. W., Horizontal movements of aurora. Canadian Journal of Physics, 36(2):160-170, Feb. 1958. 2 figs., 4 tables, 18 refs. DLC--Measurements on the drifts of auroral forms at three stations to the south of the auroral zone in west-central Canada failed to show evidence of a motion due to the earth's rotation relative to fixed excitation pattern in space. The distribution and the magnitude of the speed of auroral structures parallel and normal to the geomagnetic meridians are substantially the same as for non-luminous ionic irregularities observed by radio methods. The speed of an auroral arc or band parallel to the geomagnetic meridian is apparently constant. Speed increases with geomagnetic activity, particularly in an east-west direction. There is no indication of a reversal of the east-west motions close to local midnight. Speeds and directions show no characteristic variations with the time of night. --Authors' abstract. (See ref. C-137).
- C-155 Kirby, S.S.; Smith, N. and Gilliland, T.R., The effects of ionospheric storms on radio transmission. International Scientific Radio Union, 5th Assembly, Venice and Rome, Sept. 1938, Proceedings, 5(1):236-239. ref. DLC--Describe ionosphere storm. In first, a turbulent phase, the ionosphere in auroral regions is literally torn to pieces. Then there is

expansion and diffusion away from auroral zone. Effects are failure of high frequency communication, weakening of night-time broadcast sky wave, increase of daytime broadcast sky wave during first phase. During the second, decreased MUF, increased absorption at high frequency, increased night time broadcast absorption. --L. A. Manning.

- C-156 Knecht, R. W. (Nat'l. Bur. of Standards, Boulder, Colo.), Relationships between aurora and sporadic E echoes at Barrow, Alaska. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 61(1):59-69, March 1956. 3 figs., 16 refs. DLC--During March 1951, a series of visual auroral observations was made simultaneously with ionospheric soundings at Barrow Alaska (71° N, 156° W). Auroras were visible during 32% of the 379 observations, made at least every 15 min during the dark hours of 10 successive clear nights. Three nights are described in detail. Statistical results include (1) a strong tendency for sporadic E (Es) echoes at frequencies ≥ 7 Mc to be recorded when aurora was near the zenith; (2) a direct relationship between brightness of (inactive) aurora and the top frequency of Es echoes; (3) evidence for the correspondence of (oblique) Es echo ranges with estimated slant ranges of visible auroral forms. The observations lend support to the view that ionization in the immediate vicinity of visible auroral forms gives rise to ionospheric type reflections at high frequencies. (Item 7.9-267, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-157 Krüger, K., Die drahtlose Nachrichtenübermittlung in den Polargebieten. (Radio transmission in polar regions.) Ärtis, Gotha, 4(3/4):52-64, 1931. 4 figs., 10 refs., 13 eqs. DLC--The discussion is mainly concerned with the influence of the low sun and the neighboring magnetic pole on Arctic short wave communication. --W. N.
- C-158 Landmark, Björn (Norwegian Defence Res. Establishment, Kjeller, Norway), Echoes from the lower ionosphere during Polar blackouts. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 12(1):79-80, 1958. 2 figs. DLC--This is a short summary report on the special pulse soundings carried out near the mid-point of a path in the period June 15 to July 31, 1957 at Nordi (65° N, 14° E). The note presents some results obtained at this station. They may have some bearings in connection with conditions of radio fade-outs in the Polar region. (Item 11E-83, Met. Abs.)--N. N.

- C-159 Lange-Hesse, G., Das Internationale Geophysikalische Jahr, XII: Polarlicht und Nachthimmelsleuchten. (The I.G.Y. Pt. 7, Aurora and night sky light.) Umschau, 57(23):707-709, Dec. 1, 1957. 4 figs., footnote refs. DLC--There is a permanent weak light source round the earth, and a much stronger occasional ring of light $22-24^{\circ}$ from the magnetic pole. This is the aurora. The cause of the night sky light is the ionization and dissociation of gases by UV sunlight at great heights, that of aurora corpuscular rays from the sun focused by the geomagnetic field. The I.G.Y. program for world-wide study of aurora is set out, including tropics and radio waves, and especially German contributions to observation of aurora and night sky light. (Item 9.4-276, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-160 Lange-Hesse, Günther (Max-Planck Inst. f. Physik der Stratosphäre, Lindau ü. Northeim, Hann.), Rückstrahlung kurzer und ultrakurzer Wellen an Polarlichtern. (Reflection of short and ultrashort waves from polar auroras.) Archiv der Elektrischen Übertragung, Stuttgart, 11(6):253-261, June 1957. Pt. 2, Ibid., 11(7):283-288, July 1958. figs., 62 refs. English summary p. 253. DLC--Recent progress achieved in different countries in observing and interpreting auroral echoes is reviewed. Sample radar scope photographs, and diagrams of echo distribution are presented. Applications to radio communication, navigation, and auroral observation are discussed. Of various interpretations proposed so far concerning different characteristics of auroral echoes, the author favors those of BOOKER. (See ref. C-23).--G.T.
- C-161 Larmor, Joseph, Aurorae, electric echoes, magnetic storms. Nature, London, 133(3354):221-223, Feb. 10, 1934. 7 refs., eqs. DLC--Reference is made to the results obtained by APPLETON and others regarding the complex connections between the optical and magnetic phenomena of the upper atmosphere, and consideration is given to electron densities required in the reflecting layer to provide reflection by rays following vertical or oblique paths. A scheme is next introduced in which it is assumed that the aurora is due to lasting local pulsations on a large scale, of long period, excited by a local cause, large enough and of abrupt type, produced conceivably by arrest high up of an ionized torrent from outside sufficiently concentrated to require relief by propagation in waves. This could give the banded auroral curtains with spiralling transmission along the magnetic field. The splitting by the earth's magnetic field of the radiation into two cyclic components is examined for magnetic fields along and transverse to the waves and the methods by which these components could be verified. Finally,

the effects of Hamiltonian group velocity and transition between energy levels are discussed. (Item 4J-90, Met. Abs.) --Science Abstracts, No. 1530, April 1934.

- C-162 Lauter, E. A., Variationen der D-Schichtdämpfung auf 245 kHz. (Variations of D layer damping on 245 kHz.) *Zeitschrift für Meteorologie*, 7(11):321-330, Nov. 1953. 18 figs., 18 refs. MH-BH--Results of the measurement of reflection coefficient on 245 kHz during midday and in the evening are communicated. The diurnal and auroral course of the damping is shown, and the data with other frequencies compared. The damping values of the D layer have a close relationship to atmospherics and a weak one to geomagnetic activity. A 24-day recurrence tendency is clearly indicated. The midday values of the damping are 2 nepers in the winter and almost 7 nepers in the summer. (Item 6.1-121, Met. Abs.)--A.A.
- C-163 Law, P.G. and Burstall, T., Macquarie Island. Australian National Antarctic Research Expeditions, Interim Reports, No. 14, Sept. 1956. 48 p. 11 plates, 5 tables, 70 refs. DWB (M06.5 A938i)--The general climatic features of the island are covered on p. 26-35 of this monograph. Observation and research work in geomagnetism, cosmic rays, aurora and radiophysics is covered on p. 36-43. Activities are illustrated and many references to works on the region appended. The history of the island, of the station on the island, and of work in each field of endeavor is outlined in detail in each separate chapter. (Item 12A-128, Met. Abs.) --M.R.
- C-164 Leadabrand, R.L. and Peterson, A.M., Radio echoes from auroral ionization detected at relatively low geomagnetic latitudes. *Institute of Radio Engineers, Transactions*, AP-6(1):65-76, Jan. 1958. 21 figs., 28 refs., 18 eqs. DLC--This is an extension of an earlier paper (See ref. C-229), describing the characteristics of auroral zone echoes at distance ranges between 1400 km and 4700 km. The reflection mechanism is discussed in terms of a partially reflecting, semi-infinite ionized sheet. The identification of these high-frequency echoes at Stanford favors the hypothesis that they are reflections from the primary auroral particles. Curved earth - curved ionosphere ray path derivations are appended. --W.N.
- C-165 Leadabrand, R.L. and Yabroff, I., The geometry of auroral communications. *IRE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation*, AP 6(1):80-87, Jan. 1958. DLC--The scientific knowledge and results obtained since 1939 when the radio amateurs discovered how to exploit auroral ionization for

communication under otherwise difficult conditions are summed up here. Based upon analysis of accomplished geometrical studies and available material on radio amateur communication report, a geometrical study is presented which implies the feasibility of selected communication and forecast of the same. --W.N.

- C-166 Leadabrand, R.L.; Dolphin, L. and Peterson, A.M., Preliminary results of auroral echoes at College, Alaska, IRE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation, AP 7(2):127-136, April 1959. 35 figs., table, 12 refs., eq. DLC--Auroral ionization at 398 Mc was investigated with a SRI 400 Mc radar located 100 km south of the maximum of the auroral zone. The two types of echoes observed, discrete and diffuse, are generally night and daytime auroral forms, the former visible. Using the auroral radar equation $P_R \propto P_T \lambda^{10}$ for comparison with earlier (negative) results at 210 Mc and Canadian results at 488 Mc the λ dependence law for the reflection deduced = $P_R \propto P_T^5$. --W.N.
- C-167 Leadabrand, R.L.; Presnell, R.I.; Berg, M.R. and Dyce, R.B. (all, Stanford Res. Inst., Menlo Park, Calif.), Doppler investigations of the radar aurora at 400 Mc, Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 64(9):1197-1203, Sept. 1959. 9 figs., 11 refs. DLC--By means of a relatively sensitive 400 Mc radar located at College, Alaska, the variation of Doppler shift of auroral echoes has been determined as a function of the following parameters: (1) azimuth angle of the radar ray; (2) off-perpendicular intersection angle of the radar ray and the earth's magnetic field; (3) elevation angle of the radar ray; (4) range of the echoes; (5) altitude of the reflection centers; (6) time of day; (7) number of occurrences; (8) strength of the echoes. These data have been further delineated in terms of the type of echo seen (discrete or diffuse) and whether the data were taken before or after magnetic midnight. An estimate of the spectrum spread of auroral echoes has also been determined by pulse and by CW techniques. A consistent trend in these data has been found which would indicate an east-west motion of the ionospheric irregularities. There is no appreciable variation in the direction of motion with time of day or with respect to magnetic midnight. The mean velocity of the east-west motion appears to be 500 m/sec. These conclusions agree with those of KIM and CURRIE (1958) (See ref. C-154), but disagree with those of LYON and KAVADAS (1958) (See ref. C-178), NICHOLS (1957) (See ref. C-211), and BULLOUGH et al (1957) (See refs. C-43, 44, 45). (Item 11H-83, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-168 Leithäuser, G., Über ionosphärische Störungen und irdische Auswirkungen. (On ionospheric disturbances and their terrestrial effects.) Funk und Ton, Berlin, 3(3):127-143, 1949. 9 figs., 14 refs. --Describes normal daily variation of wireless echoes and its disturbances by Mögel-Dellinger solar effect, auroras and meteors, with illustrations. Most important are the new reflection levels due to "inbreak layers" associated with auroras and magnetic disturbances. These have marked effects on wireless transmission. There is also a relation between development of inbreak layers and of low pressure areas at the surface in the auroral region, illustrated by charts Feb. 13-17, 1948 and meteorological observations Feb. 1-March 19. Association of Norwegian anticyclones and cold European winters with solar eruptions is also discussed, including possible ameliorating effect of atom bombs. (Item 3.8-5, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-169 Leonard, Robert S., Radar echoes from the aurora. (In: Conference on Arctic Radio Wave Propagation, Alaska Univ., Jan. 1956, Papers. Issued May 1956. p. 58-71. 8 figs.) DWB--Auroral radar work at Geophysical Institute is described. The major difference between the ordinary and the auroral radar is that the latter uses pulse lengths on the order of 100 microseconds to one millisecond and has much lower operative frequencies. Some auroral radar experiments obtain no echoes from aurora overhead despite visual aurora in the sky. Three different theories explaining auroral echoes are given. (Item 12A-131, Met. Abs.)--A.H.K.
- C-170 Leonard, Robert S., A low power VHF radar for auroral research. Institute of Radio Engineers, N. Y., Proceedings, 43(2):320-322, Feb. 1959. 3 figs. (incl. photos), 2 refs. DLC--A 5 kw, 41 Mc radar which was designed for use in the U.S. IGY program is described. The standard operating procedures are outlined and a sample of the records is shown. The design of a scaling machine is discussed and a method of utilizing the scaled data to produce an auroral echo activity index is described. (Item 11H-88, Met. Abs.)--Author's summary.
- C-171 Lied, F. (Norwegian Defence Res. Establishment), Quantitative measurements of absorption in the auroral zone. (In: Polar Atmosphere Symposium, Oslo, July 2-8, 1956, Proceedings, Pt. 2, Ionospheric Section. N.Y., Pergamon Press, 1958. p. 135-146. 14 figs., 11 refs.) Also issued in Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, Special Supplement, Pt. 2, 1957, pub. 1958? p. 135-146. DLC--In the study of "normal" auroral absorption as well as the disturbances, we need the application of different techniques with overlapping sensitivity since the observational

phase in connection with ionospheric absorption is not terminated. The statistical distribution in time and space of the more catastrophic blackouts, a little of the real nature and cause of the general and excessive high absorption due to some ionizing mechanism, and the techniques for locating where in the ionosphere the excessive absorption takes place, as well as the magnitude of the extra ionization, have been covered in this paper. Techniques include the CW oblique measuring, the pulse amplitude, the Galactic, the cross modulation techniques, all of which must be used contemporaneously and forced to overlap as in the ionospheric recordings made in Canada, Alaska and Norway. (Item 10.9-316, Met. Abs.)--N. N.

- C-172 Lindquist, Rune, Polar blackouts recorded at the Kiruna Observatory. Gothenburg, Sweden. Chalmers Tekniska Högskola, Handlingar, No. 103, 1951. 24 p. photos., graphs, refs. Price: kroner 3. DWB--"Polar blackout" is the name H. W. WELLS gave the phenomenon of fadeout that shows no connection with solar flares, contrary to the ordinary ones occurring in the lower latitudes. The phenomenon was studied by E. V. APPLETON (1932-1933) and by BRAMHOLT and SEATON (1941). In the present study at Kiruna ($67^{\circ} 50' N$, $20^{\circ} 14.5' E$ geomagnetic coordinates $65^{\circ} 19' N$, $115^{\circ} 30' E$) a panoramic recorder (frequency range 1-16 Mc/s in 30 sec) and a recording magnetometer were used. The preliminary results indicate that an abnormally high absorption, caused by the impact of some ionizing agent (maximum probably occurs below the 100 km level), some sort of corpuscular bombardment--is the cause. (Item 3.9-88, Met. Abs.)--W. N.
- C-173 Lindquist, Rune A., A survey of recent ionospheric measurements at the Ionospheric and Radio Wave Propagation Observatory at Kiruna. Arkiv för Geofysik, Stockholm, 1(2-4):247-266, 1951. 28 figs., 10 refs. MH-BH--Ionospheric research started at the Ionospheric and Radio Wave Propagation Observatory at Kiruna on Oct. 1, 1948. This report gives some preliminary results obtained from the recordings during the period October 1948-August 1949. Different types of sporadic E echoes are classified and the diurnal and seasonal behavior of Es is shown and discussed. The relation between Es and magnetic disturbances is further discussed. A few typical polar blackouts are described and studied. The diurnal and seasonal behavior of the ordinary layers is also shown as a final bi-product. (Item 4.3-103, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-174 Little, C.G. (Asst. Dir., Geophysical Inst., Alaska), Radio wave propagation in the Arctic. Alaska. Univ. Geophysical Institute, Contract AF 19(604)-1089, Interim Scientific Report No. 1, Aug. 15, 1955. 74 p. 23 figs. (incl. photos), 3 tables, 23 refs. --An extensive study of radar echoes from auroras (on 12, 25, 50 and 100 mc), involving correlation with visual aurora (as shown by panoramic photographs made simultaneously at College, Alaska), shows that radio echoes probably come from ionized columns in the immediate vicinity of visible auroral forms, contrary to theory of HARANG and LANDMARK (1954) (See ref. C-127). Sixteen pairs of photographs presented in this report show good agreement as to direction and distance, and the few exceptions are explained as due to abnormally high visible or faint diffuse forms. Three theories concerning the mode of reflection from ionized auroral layers are examined and the one of R.K. MOORE (1952) (See ref. C-207, 208), involving right angle reflection from ionized columns oriented along magnetic lines of force, is shown to agree with actual observations of 311 auroral forms from Aug.-Oct. 1954. Greatest concentration is to be N by NE (geomagnetic) and about 600 km distant. None occur overhead and few to the S. Theoretical distribution chart gives nearly same pattern. Attempts at using longer waves (than 106 mc) have thus far been unsuccessful. Experiments on a microwave link 25 mi long failed to show any meteorological influence (ducts). Most winter time ducts are too close to ground to be of any use with normal equipment which sticks up above the duct. An all-sky camera has been used for a year at College and for a shorter time at Pt. Barrow; analysis of the 180° bands show that these are very frequent (105 cases), with openings to W just before midnight and to E at 0300 being most frequent. Movements of bands to E or W were more random than theorized by MEINEL and SCHULTE (1953) who reported only westward drifts during evening and eastward during morning hours. A good correlation was found between intensity of auroral light and E_s ionization. Whistlers were studied with special equipment and comparison will be made with those at lower latitudes (Corvallis, Ore. and Stanford) to see if dispersion is much greater in high latitudes as predicted. Between July 1 and 10, 1955, 38 whistlers were recorded. Abnormal TV signal reception and scatter was observed over high peaks of Alaska Range. (Items 9.8-29; 12A-132, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-175 Little, C.G.; Rayton, W.M. and Roof, R.B., Review of ionospheric effects at VHF and UHF, Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 44(8):992-1018, Aug. 1956. 2 tables, 182 refs., eqs.--This paper summarizes the present day knowledge of ionospheric effects at VHF and UHF, with the exception of forward scattering of VHF radio waves by the ionosphere. The seven effects covered in the paper are: radar echoes from aurora; radar echoes from meteors; the Faraday effect and radar echoes from the moon; radio noise of auroral origin; absorption of radio waves by the ionosphere; refraction of radio waves by the ionosphere; and the scintillation of the radio stars. A bibliography of 182 items is included.--E. Z. S.
- C-176 Lovell, A.C.B., Clegg, J.A. and Ellyett, G.E., Radio echoes from the aurora borealis, Nature, London, 160(4063): 372, Sept. 13, 1947. 6 refs. Herlofson, N., Interpretation of radio echoes from polar auroras, Ibid., 160(4077):867-868, Dec. 20, 1947. (See ref. C-141). DLC--Echoes obtained during the night of Aug. 15-16, 1947 apparently originated in a luminescent cloud which appeared near the end of an aurora streamer. HERLOFSON's article is a discussion of above cited paper. (Item 4J-169, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-177 Lugeon, J., Les perturbations radiophoniques pendant l'aurore polaire du 25 Janvier, 1938, en Suisse. (Radio- phonic perturbations during the polar aurora of Jan. 25, 1938, in Switzerland.) International Scientific Radio Union, 5th Assembly, Venice and Rome, Sept. 1938, Proceedings, 5(1): 326-327, DLC--Describes effects during the aurora. Great absorption was observed on signals from Holland and Germany. However, signals from the west remained audible, though weak.--L. A. Manning.
- C-178 Lyon, G.F. and Kavadas, A., Horizontal motions in radar echoes from aurora, Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 36(12):1661-1671, Dec. 1958. 8 figs. (incl. photo), 18 refs. DWB, DLC--A systematic motion of 48.2 Mc/sec echoes associated with aurora is found at Saskatoon. The motion is toward the west before midnight and toward the east after midnight, the mean velocity in either direction showing a statistical relation to variations in the earth's magnetic field. No correlation is found between individual echo velocity and magnetic disturbance, and no period of zero velocity is observed. There is also evidence of an ordered relation between motion in the north-south direction and disturbances in the earth's magnetic field. (See ref. C-167). (Item 11H-101, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-179 Lyon, G.F. (Univ. Saskatchewan), The association of visible auroral forms with radar echoes. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 38(3):385-389, March 1960. 2 figs., table, 9 refs. DWB, DLC--A peak in 48.2 Mc/sec echo occurrence is observed at Saskatoon corresponding in time to the period of breakup of quiet arcs into active rayed structures. This is also the time of most frequent occurrence of characteristic "curl" forms in the aurora. If, as GARTLEIN suggests, the "curl" forms are formed by instabilities in a sheet beam then the primary particles are positively charged. (Item 12A-134, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-180 McInnes, B., Auroral display observed from unusually low geomagnetic latitudes. Meteorological Magazine, London, 86(1018):114-117, April 1957. fig., 2 refs. DWB--Observations of aurora from ships in S. Indian Ocean (geomagnetic coordinates 43°S 184°E and 37°S 129°E) on Sept. 8, 1956, are described. There was a world-wide magnetic storm, radio effects, etc. (Item 8.8-314, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-181 McInnes, B. and Robertson, K.A., Aurora. Marine Observer, London, 30(189):135-139, July 1960. fig., tables. DWB, DLC--A log is given listing auroral observations for the period July-Sept. 1959 and some comments on the outstanding auroral displays. The auroras are classified and their geomagnetic latitudes and longitudes and inclinations are given. The most outstanding display was observed during July 15-18. This geomagnetic storm had a significant effect on some ships' compasses and also affected radio reception. (Item 12A-137, Met. Abs.)--R.B.
- C-182 McKinley, D.W.R. and Millman, Peter M., Long duration echoes from aurora, meteors, and ionospheric back-scatter. Canadian Journal of Physics, 31(2):171-181, Feb. 1953. 2 figs., 6 tables, 10 refs. DLC--In the course of the Ottawa meteor program some unusual echoes have been detected on 33 Mc. Echoes from the aurora are discussed and correlated with visual observations. Two mechanisms of radio reflections from the aurora have been proposed but the data here presented are insufficient to favor one or the other. On Aug. 4, 1948 six extremely long duration meteor echoes were observed. Since Aug. 1948, a weak semipermanent echo has been recorded, usually appearing at a range of about 80 km, and enduring up to an hour. It is suggested that this echo is due to backscatter from the same sources in the lower E-region that are presumed to be responsible for long range very high frequency propagation. (Item 4.10-33, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-183 McNamara, A. G. and Currie, B. W. (Physics Dept., Univ. of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon), Radio echoes during aurora, Journal of Geophysical Research, 59(2):279-285, June 1954. 4 figs., 6 refs. DLC--A reassessment of all the Saskatoon data on 56- and 106-Mc/sec echoes from aurora suggested that some of the 56 Mc/sec echoes might have occurred through backward scatter from the land via the lower part of the ionosphere. These could have originated only through the second lobe transmission of the radar equipment. Two antennae placed at heights to give the maximum resolution between echoes arising in directions corresponding to the first- and second-lobe signals were used to examine this possibility. The results show that practically all (if not all) the echoes were due to direct reflection from aurora. (Item 6.2-39, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-184 McNamara, A. G. and Currie, B. W., Polarization of radio echoes from aurorae. Nature, London, 174(4442):1153-1154, Dec. 18, 1954. 3 figs., 6 refs. DWB--Observations at Saskatoon on 56 Mc/s are analyzed statistically for ratio (horizontal/vertical polarization) frequency variation as a function of range, showing a significant increase at 500-900 km, and echo occurrence against radar range. Some observations on 106.5 Mc/s are included; these showed only plane polarization in sense of transmitted signals. (Item 6.6-33C, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-185 McNamara, A. G. (Saskatchewan Univ., Saskatoon, Canada), Double Doppler radar investigations of aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 60(3):257-269, Sept. 1955. 7 figs. (incl. photos), 11 refs. DLC--A pulsed double Doppler radar technique has been employed to study the 90.7 Mc/sec signals reflected from auroral ionization. A spectrum analyzer was used in conjunction with the radar to measure the power spectra of the auroral echoes. The Doppler data are compared with observations of the visible aurora and with simultaneous echoes on 56 and 106 Mc/sec non-coherent high-resolution radar equipment. An interpretation of the Doppler data is given, and several theoretical models of the reflection mechanism are examined in terms of their effect on the observed spectra. (Item 7.10-71, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-186 McNamara, A. G., A continuously recording automatic auroral radar. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 36(1):1-3, Jan. 1958. 6 figs., 6 refs. DWB, DLC--A simple, low power 50 Mc/s radar is described which has been designed for automatic recording of radio reflections from auroral ionization. The system features high sensitivity with good reliability.

Photographic records are taken in the form of a continuous film strip displaying range and time. A complementary recording system employs circuitry which cancels interference and noise signals but produces an output signal proportional to the integrated echo intensity. The display in this latter case is in the form of a chart record from which data are immediately available. (Item 9.7-102, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-187 McNamara, A.G. (Natl. Res. Council, Ottawa), An analysis of some statistical properties of auroral radar reflections and their relationships to the detection capabilities of the radar, Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 38(3):425-438, March 1960. 5 figs., 2 tables, 6 refs., 22 figs. DWB, DLC --A statistical model of auroral echo occurrence has been made from an analysis of observations at 48.5 Mc/s obtained over a number of years of continuous operation. The probability density distribution of auroral target cross sections (σ) has been examined experimentally, and the resulting curve fitted by simple mathematical relations. Both an inverse power law and an exponential law have been derived, of the forms $p(\sigma)d\sigma = k\sigma^{-1.67}d\sigma$ and $p(\sigma)d\sigma = \frac{(1/\hat{m})}{\sigma}e^{-\sigma/\sigma_m}d\sigma$. These models have been interpreted in terms of distributed and localized targets, and used to analyze the echo occurrence indices and the effect which variation of radar parameters will have upon them. Both forms of the target law are useful although it is considered that the exponential form yields better agreement with observations over a wider range of the variables. (Item 12.4-356, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-188 McNamara, A.G., Auroral radar observations at 48 Mc/s during the period of the Nov. 12, 1960, solar event. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 39(4):625-627, April 1961. fig. DWB, DLC--Simultaneous records from three auroral radars of similar characteristics have been analyzed for the period Nov. 11, to Nov. 16, 1960. The combined results show interesting patterns of activity. Short bursts of echoes are sometimes associated in time with sudden commencements. These echoes are not intense which may account for the fact that only the more favorably situated radars detect them. Evidence cited for a large PCA event suggests that at such times the strong low-level absorption significantly alters the detection capabilities of a VHF auroral radar, and may distort the apparent geographical distribution of the reflecting ionization. --E. Z. S.

- C-189 Maehlum, Bernt (Norwegian Defence Res. Estab.), The diurnal variation of foF2 near the auroral zone during magnetic disturbances. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 13(1/2):187-190, Dec. 1958. 3 figs., 7 refs. DLC--During magnetic storms the critical frequency of the F2 layer usually decreases and this well known effect (APPLETON and INGRAM, 1935) has been the subject of numerous statistical studies. Distinguishing between disturbed and quiet days, the departure in the critical frequency, Δ foF2, due to magnetic storms can be studied more closely. It has been shown that the variation in Δ foF2 can be separated into two components, a S_D component which depends on local time and a D_{st} component which depends on storm time (FUKUSHIMA, 1949). The aim of this note is to study the S_D component for some stations in Scandinavia and Great Britain. It will be shown that the S_D variation observed at Longyearbyen ($80^\circ N$) is similar to that observed at middle latitude stations, but the S_D variation at Tromsø ($70^\circ N$) is reversed. There is thus an analogy with the latitude effect of the geomagnetic storms, where the S_D current systems are reversed within the auroral zone (FUKUSHIMA, 1953). Item 10.10-208, Met. Abs.)--Author's introduction.
- C-190 Major, G., The association of pulsating and flaming auroras with complete ionospheric absorption at Macquarie Island. Australian Journal of Physics, Melbourne, 7(3):471-476, 1954. 3 figs., 5 refs. DLC--Simultaneous records show that pulsating or flaming auroras are frequently accompanied by complete absorption of waves incident vertically on the ionosphere, but the nocturnal variations of frequency of occurrence of the two phenomena are markedly different in form. --Author's abstract.
- C-191 Martin, L. H.; Helliwell, R.A. (both, Radioscience Lab., Stanford Univ., Calif.) and Marks, K.R. (U.S. Antarctic Res. Program, Wash. 25, D.C.), Association between auroras and very low frequency hiss observed at Byrd station, Antarctica. Nature, London, 187(4739):751-753, Aug. 27, 1960. 5 figs., 6 refs. DWB, DLC--Observations during 1959 show a close association to exist between auroras and certain very low frequency hiss. The hiss usually occurs in a broad band with a center frequency of about 8 kc/s. The intensity and band-width vary with ionospheric absorption and may also vary with the intensity of the auroras. The hiss drops to undetectable levels under conditions of extreme ionic absorption even in the presence of intense and active auroras. The center frequency of the hiss may be associated or related to the type of aurora. (Item 12A-151, Met. Abs.) --R.B.

- C-192 Martvel', F.E. and Pogorelov, V.I., O sviazi svetimosti poliarnykh siianii s radiolokatsionnymi otrazheniiami ot nikh. (The relation between the brightness of auroras and their radar reflections.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Izvestiia, Ser. Geofiz., No. 8:1052-1053, 1958. 7 figs. DLC. Transl. into English in the corresponding issue of the English language ed. of the Izvestiia, Bulletin of the Academy of Science of the USSR, Geophysics Ser. DWB--In order to determine the relationship between auroras and auroral radar reflections, the authors compare motion picture frames coinciding in time with radar signals. The material used was that obtained at Roshchino ($\phi = 60^{\circ}12'N$; $\lambda = 29^{\circ}34'E$; $\Phi = 56^{\circ}35'$; $\Delta = 116^{\circ}47'E$). An analysis of the material indicates the following: (1) although it is impossible to determine the form of auroral illumination that is most effective from the point of view of radar reflection, many of the most intense reflections are close to the most pronounced radiation forms; (2) reflections with large amplitude correspond to the brightest reflection regions of the auroras in the supposed zones of reflection of the auroras, and no radar reflections were observed when the auroras were completely lacking; (3) during weak illumination radar reflections were rarely observed; (4) there were no instances in Roshchino when radar reflections preceded auroras; (5) there exist small differences (about $5-10^{\circ}$) between the azimuths of the most intense parts of the auroras in the supposed zones of reflection and the azimuths of the most intense radar reflections which, however, do not go beyond the limits of possible errors of observation and which may be explained by distortion of the trajectories of automagnetic waves in a medium of electronic inhomogeneities, which are considerable in the auroral regions; (6) the dimensions of the supposed zones of radar reflections are slight in comparison with the region of the heavens occupied by the auroras. (item 11H-106, Met. Abs.) --I. L. D.
- C-193 Massey, H. S. W., The nature of the upper atmosphere. Endeavour, London, 13(50):81-85, April 1954. 4 figs., 3 refs. DLC--General but semi-technical treatment of structure and composition of the high atmosphere, the ionosphere, aurora and airglow according to latest results of rocket and radio research. (Item 6.4-117, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-194 Matsushita, S. (High Altitude Obs. of the Univ. of Colorado, Boulder), Some studies of the upper atmosphere in the auroral zone. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 14(4):483-491, Oct./Dec. 1958. 3 figs., 28 refs. French and English summaries p. 483. DLC--Relations between ionospheric and geomagnetic phenomena in the auroral zone were studied from magnetograms both made at the same station by correlating striking features

in each. When a bay disturbance of moderate range occurred at night, complete blanketing of F2 by sporadic E always happened at the time. When the range of bays was larger, blackouts usually occurred after the incidence of complete blanketing of F2. Slant E_s occasionally appeared during bays, and it never occurred except during bays or bay-type variations during magnetic storms. Blackouts which occurred during daylight hours had no remarkable correlations with geomagnetic variations except during magnetic storms. In other words, there were two different types of the polar blackout; nighttime and daytime types. The height of the absorbing region responsible for the polar blackout during daylight hours seemed to be lower than that at night. In order to explain these results, the effect on the ionosphere of X-rays generated by the primary particles from the sun are discussed. The cause of magnetic bay disturbances is also considered. (Item 10.8-360, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

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Mednikova, N. V., Ionosfernye vozmushcheniia osobogo tipa. (Particular types of ionospheric disturbances.) Akademiia Nauk, SSSR, Doklady, 58(3):475-478, Jan. 21, 1948. 3 figs., ref. DLC--Observations of an aurora on Feb. 16, 1947 carried out at the meteorological stations of the Institute of Terrestrial Magnetism near Moscow with the aid of automatic equipment with a frequency range from 2 to 16 MHz led to the discovery of a particular type of ionospheric disturbance -- an additional layer located above the normal F2 layer with critical frequencies much smaller than the ones of the F2 layer. The diffusivity of this layer increased with the growth of the disturbance but instead of rising as does the F2 layer it descended gradually. A subsequent careful examination of earlier records of ionospheric disturbance showed that from March 1946 to April 1947, 27 disturbances accompanied by appearances of this additional layer above F2 were recorded. It has been noted that this layer does not appear in all cases of high activity of auroras, but is always accompanied by auroras and at the time when the critical frequencies of F2 layer do not exceed 6 MHz. Photographs and graphs showing results of height and critical frequency measurement are included. (Item 6D-24, Met. Abs.)--A. M. P.

C-196

Meek, J. H., Ionospheric disturbances in Canada. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 57(2):177-190, June 1952. 11 figs., 4 refs. DLC--Analysis of variations of F region ionization and of abnormally high absorption of radio waves in northern latitudes indicates that disturbances appear first in one part of the auroral zone and then move round the earth with the sun for several days. The effect of a disturbance is enhanced and extend farther south near certain

geographic latitudes. Diurnal and seasonal characteristics of the disturbances are described. It is suggested that disturbances are connected with similar geomagnetic disturbances and are due to a narrow stream of solar particles moving into the earth's path. --Author's abstract.

- C-197 Meek, J.H. (Defence Research Telecommunications Establishment, Defence Research Board, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada), Correlation of magnetic, auroral, and ionospheric variations at Saskatoon. Journal of Geophysical Research, 58(4):445-456, Dec. 1953. 7 figs., 6 refs. DLC--An analysis has been made for the five-month period from Dec. 1951 to April 1952 of the variations at Saskatoon of the horizontal component (H) of the earth's magnetic field, the position in the sky and intensity of auroral light, and of critical frequencies and heights of the ionospheric reflecting regions. There is a relationship between the maximum elevation above the northern horizon of auroral light and the maximum amplitude of variation of H. Some types of sporadic E reflecting layers appear more frequently during disturbances. Detailed analysis of magnetically disturbed nights shows that magnetic bays and certain other phenomena are correlated. An increase in the intensity of aurora is related to the rate of decrease of H in the bay. Radio wave absorption or weak reflections at levels below 100 km correspond to the periods when H is of the order of 500 gammas or more from its normal value. (For Pt. 2, see ref. C-198). (Item 5C-260, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-198 Meek, J.H. (Physics Dept, Saskatchewan Univ., Saskatoon, Canada), Correlation of magnetic, auroral, and ionospheric variations at Saskatoon, Pt. 2. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 59(1):87-92, March 1954. fig., 8 refs. MH-BH--The relations between magnetic, auroral, and ionospheric observations are summarized with reference to the occurrence of positive and negative magnetic bays. Auroral light associated with positive bays occurs at a higher geomagnetic latitude than that associated with negative bays. The magnetic and auroral light variations are compared to MARTYN's theory of the aurora. If the latter is accepted, the conclusion is reached (1) that most auroras are caused by positively charged particles, and (2) that the conditions described for the early phase actually exist throughout most of a disturbance. (For Pt. 1, see ref. C-197). (Item 6.10-238, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-199 Meek, J.H. and McNamara, A.G., Magnetic disturbances, sporadic E, and radio echoes associated with the aurora. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 32(5):326-329, May 1954. fig., 6 refs. DLC--A comparison of simultaneous data on the visible aurora, the earth's magnetic field variation, vertical and oblique ionosonde echoes, and very high frequency radar echoes has been made. Long range high-frequency and very high frequency radio echoes do not appear to correlate individually. Reflections are observed, however, on both frequency ranges coincident with the appearance of low elevation auroral arcs, which are associated with magnetic bays. --Authors' abstract.
- C-200 Meos, Johan and Olving, Sven, On the origin of radar echoes associated with auroral activity. Göteborg, Sweden. Chalmers Tekniska Högskola, Handlingar, No. 196, 1958. 20 p. 14 figs., table, 21 refs. DLC--Until very recently it has been accepted that most of the VHF radio echoes obtained near the polar regions during geomagnetic storms were due to direct scatter from auroral displays. HARANG and LANDMARK (1954) (See ref. C-127), however, have published a paper where they explain the echoes as backscatter from land or sea via intense sporadic ionospheric layers in the E region. An analysis of the echoes at 10 m wavelength, recorded at the Kiruna Radio Wave Propagation Observatory during the first quarter of 1953, indicates that the echoes cannot be disconnected from aurora borealis. It is concluded that the predominant mechanism is closely connected to ionized and often invisible auroral forms. (Item 9H-129, Met. Abs.)--From authors' summary.
- C-201 Merritt, Ernest and Bostwick, William E., A visual method of observing the influence of atmospheric conditions on radio reception. National Academy of Sciences, Wash., D. C., Proceedings, 14(11):884-888, Nov. 1928. DLC--The experiment described is that of a partial separation of the ground waves and the sky wave in radio communication. Two balanced coils were used (A and B). The A coil mounted with its plane vertical and directed toward the sending station, the B coil in vertical plane at right angles to this direction. The latter coil responds only to that component of the sky wave which is polarized with its electric vector horizontal and is not affected by the ground wave. Suitable amplification to one pair of plates of a cathode ray oscilloscope featuring respectively horizontal and vertical movements, combination of which results in a Lissajous figure on the screen. An example of the method as used during the presence of aurora is described. Further studies especially during sunset are contemplated. (item 6D-10, Met. Abs.)--W. N.

- C-202 Mitra, Sisir K. (Prof. of Physics, Calcutta Univ.), The upper atmosphere. 2nd ed. Calcutta, The Asiatic Society, (Preface 1952). 713 p. figs., tables, bibliog. p. 644-668, eqs. DLC, MH-BH--The first edition of this valuable work, published in 1947, contained 616 pages. About 100 pages of new material have been added, including the results of the latest research in almost every field covered by the 13 chapters. These additions include work on escape of atmospheric gases (Chap. I), atmospheric tides (Chap. II), radar studies of meteors (Chap. III), variations in ozone content with latitude and air masses (Chap. IV), dissociation of N_2 (Chap. V), ionospheric sounding by radio waves, estimation of recombination coefficients, tides and traveling disturbances in the ionosphere (Chap. VI), Sq and L - variations near the geomagnetic equator (Chap. VII, up-to-date bands and lines in auroral spectrum (Chap. VIII), new theories of magnetic storms and aurora by ALFVEN and MARTYN (extension of Chapman-Ferraro theory) (Chap. IX), Russian work on zodiacal light and afterglow or airglow, height measurements of luminescent layers, hydrogen and sodium in the upper atmosphere, etc. (Chap. X), revised model of temperature distribution in upper atmosphere (GERSON) (Chap. XI), a new chapter on rocket exploration of upper atmosphere (V-2 and aerobee flights) (Chap. XII), and new unsolved problems of the upper atmosphere (Chap. XIII). Brief discussion of winds at high levels from indirect methods (Chap. XIII). No attempt at listing all of the important subjects covered in this work would do justice to its comprehensiveness. The amount of carefully prepared illustrative material - charts, graphs, tables, schematic diagrams, etc. - both borrowed and original, is amazing. In most cases the sources are carefully cited and a class bibliography of nearly 1000 references is a further aid in locating source material on all fields of upper air research by physical methods. (Item 4.8-15, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-203 Moorcroft, D. R., Models of auroral ionization, Pt. I: Auroral ionization models and their radio reflection characteristics. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 39(5):677-695, May 1961. 9 figs., 18 refs., 45 eqs. DLC--Although radio observations of aurora contain information about the nature of the reflecting ionization, the use of dissimilar models of auroral ionization has led different workers to widely differing conclusions. In this paper several general models of auroral ionization are developed. By considering the ionization as an assembly of individual scatters, it has been possible to include a unified treatment of both weak scattering and critical reflections. This treatment should

provide a basis for resolving some of the difficulties in the interpretation of auroral radio observations. In a second paper the available experimental evidence is examined in the light of this theoretical treatment. --Author's abstract.

- C-204 Moorcroft, D. R., Models of auroral ionization. Pt. 2: Applications to radio observations of aurora. Canadian Journal of Physics, Ottawa, 39(5):695-715, May 1961. 8 figs., 30 refs., 13 eqs. DLC--In this paper the available experimental evidence concerning radio reflections from aurora is examined in relation to the reflection characteristics of the models of auroral ionization discussed in Pt. 1. The existence of critical reflection from auroral ionization at frequencies between 30 and 50 Mc/s appears to be established. This implies electron densities as great as 3×10^{13} electrons per m^3 . It is shown that the observations are consistent with a model consisting of irregularities of ionization elongated parallel to the earth's magnetic field in a ratio of between 5 and 10 times, and having sizes transverse to the field lines of the order of a few meters. Some of the observations require the irregularities to be distributed in size. It is clear that there is a need for more relevant measurements on radio reflections from aurora to specify the characteristics of the ionization more precisely. --Author's abstract.
- C-205 Moore, R. K., A VHF propagation phenomenon associated with aurora. Journal of Geophysical Research, 56(1):97-106, March 1951. 3 figs., 3 tables, 6 refs. --Discusses auroral propagation as observed by radio amateurs operating at 28 to 148 Mc. Findings include: lack of skip effect, extremely high fading rate and insignificant change in polarization. North directed antenna gave better results. Number of days and hours with auroral propagation at geomagnetic latitudes $< 52^\circ$ to $> 60^\circ$ for the periods 1931 to 1941 and 1946 - 1950 are shown in tables and graphs. --W. N.
- C-206 Moore, R. K., Aurora and magnetic storms. QST, West Hartford, Conn., 35(6):14-19+, June 1951. 9 figs., 13 refs. DLC--A general discussion of the nature of ionospheric interferences with radio communication, particularly on the VHF bands used by radio amateurs. --W. N.
- C-207 Moore, R. K., Theory of radio scattering from the aurora. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 40(6):747, June 1952. DLC--Abstract of a paper presented at the I. R. E. Meeting, Washington, D. C., April 1952. Details of a theory, with mathematical appendix, that signals observed are scattered from the leading edges of rapidly advancing columns of

ionization (of diameter ~ 50 cm) created by bundles of incoming, 1 MeV, auroral protons. The theory explains the observed fading spectra (akin to meteor "whistle") and the minimum range effect (no returns at ranges less than 400 km have been reported). The rate of advance of the ionized columns is of the same order of magnitude as that found by spectrographic observation. Calculations of electron densities are attempted but depend on the size of the columns. --Author's abstract.

- C-208 Moore, R.K. (Sandia Corp.), Theory of radio scattering from the aurora. Institute of Radio Engineers, Transactions on Antennas and Propagation, AP 3:217-230, Aug. 1952. DLC--It is postulated that radio signals returned from the aurora may be scattered by columns of ionization created by incoming auroral protons. The scattering from each column may be treated in the same manner as the "whistles" from meteor ionization, but because of the large number of columns created in a short time the "whistles" blend into a fading spectrum. Experimental determination of the fading spectra of such signals leads to curves which correlate well with those calculated by the theory. The velocities indicated agree in order of magnitude with that found by Gartlein's spectrographic observations. The calculated distances at which radar echoes should be observed agree with experiment and bear out the observations that signals are not heard or seen from overhead auroras. Density calculations cannot be complete because columnar size is not known, but indications are that this size may possibly be of the order of $1\frac{1}{2}$ meters in diameter. --Author's abstract.
- C-209 Murcray, W.B. and Pope, J.H. (both, Geophys. Inst. Univ. Alaska, College, Alaska), Radiation from protons of auroral energy in the vicinity of the earth. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 65(11):3569-3574, Nov. 1960. 3 figs., 10 refs., eq. DWB, DLC--Some considerations regarding the way in which auroral protons might be expected to radiate as they approach the earth are discussed. The form of the frequency-time curves which might result at the earth's surface from the radiation by such particles are deduced by assuming a reasonable model of the upper ionosphere. It is concluded, at least so far as the frequency-time curves are concerned, that auroral protons are capable of producing the low-frequency electromagnetic phenomenon known as "Chorus". (Item 12B-122, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.

- C-210 Nakata, Yoshiaki (Radio Res. Lab. Kokubunji), Auroral echoes in the ionograms obtained in the minauroral region, Japan. Science Council. Ionosphere Research Committee, Report of Ionosphere Research in Japan, 12(1):1-5, 1958. 6 figs. (incl. photos), 6 refs. DWB, DLC--A report of the radio echoes believed to be from auroral ionization obtained at a minauroral region (Japan) 3 times since the beginning of IGY by a continuously operated newly designed ionosonde. The instrumental details of the ionosonde are presented. These auroral echoes occurred on the magnetically disturbed days of Sept. 13 and 21, 1957 and of Feb. 11, 1958. The details of these echoes are discussed and their photographic representations shown. In order to indicate the source of these echoes, the relation between the calculated slant range and ionospheric height is considered and graphically represented. In this regard, evidence obtained at Kokubunji indicates that the echoes from auroral ionization have been obtained in fact from scattering source located at F layer heights. (Item 12A-169, Met. Abs.)--I. S.
- C-211 Nichols, Benjamin (Geophys. Inst., Univ. of Alaska, College, Alaska), Drift motions of auroral ionization. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 11(3/4): 292-293, 1957. fig., 3 refs. DLC--Drifts 400-600 km N of College, Alaska were measured in VHF ranges (106 and 41.15 Mc/s) from transmitters located 40 km E of College. Movement of echoes from auroral ionization in the E region are probably due more to the speed of electrons in the disturbance current system than to ionospheric winds. Recent ionization data would indicate a total current of 10^5 A/100 km of lat, in accordance with currents calculated from magnetic observations by SILSBEE and VESTINE (1942) and others. Radar echoes, spread over a range of 100 km are also consistent with electron density, drift velocity and magnetic observations. (See ref. C-167) (Item 10.3-332, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-212 Nichols, Benjamin, Auroral ionization and magnetic disturbances. Institute of Radio Engineers, N. Y., Proceedings, 47(2):245-254, Feb. 1959. 3 figs., 56 refs. DLC--An examination of radio studies of auroral ionization shows that an average ionization density of about 5×10^5 electrons per cm^3 is sufficient to explain the normal radar echo. The magnetic disturbances produced by current systems in the ionosphere are closely related both to the ionization and the luminosity of the aurora. The magnetic variations are also associated with increases in the speeds of motion of the ionization. The increased ionization manifest in the aurora, together with its increased speed of motion, brings about the

magnetic changes observed at the ground. The rapid speeds of auroral motions observed both visually and by radio means are at the upper end of a continuous curve of drift motions that increase with increasing magnetic disturbance. (Item 11.8-96, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-213 Nichols, B. (Cornell Univ., N. Y.), Evidence of elongated irregularities in the ionosphere. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 64(12):2200-2202, Dec. 1959. 11 refs. DLC--Radio observations of backscatter from ionospheric irregularities under both auroral and nonauroral conditions indicate the presence of small-scale irregularities, elongated along the earth's magnetic field. These elongated irregularities have been found at heights from 80 to 300 km. The most precise measurements available are related to echoes from auroral ionization at a height of about 100 km. These indicate scales of tens of meters along the earth's magnetic field and tens of centimeters normal to the field. (Item 11F-95, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-214 Nikol'skiĭ, A. P., K voprosu o geograficheskom raspredelenii v vysokikh shirotakh anomal'nogo pogloshcheniia radiovoln v ionosfere. (Geographical distribution in high latitudes of radio blackouts in the ionosphere.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Doklady, 112(4):628-631, Feb. 1957. 2 figs., table, 6 refs. Transl. into English available Special Libraries Association, Transl. Center (John Crerar Library, Chicago) as its R-1179 (6 p.). DLC--Frequency, diurnal amplitude and phase of radio blackouts based upon analysis of foreign sources are discussed. The author uses the actual maximum instead of harmonic analysis. Evidence points toward a second maximum zone of blackouts near the poles in addition to the ring of maximum frequency in the zone of auroral activity. (Item 10.3-203, Met. Abs.)--A. A.
- C-215 Nikolskiĭ, A. P., O planetarnom raspredelenii magnitno ionosferykh nozmushchenii i poliarnykh siianiĭ. (World-wide distribution of magneto-ionospheric disturbance and aurora.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Doklady, 115(1):84-87, 1957. 3 figs., 9 refs. DLC. English transl. by E. R. Hope issued as Canada. Defence Research Board, Translation, T-266-R, Oct. 1957. DWB--World-wide data on anomalous ionospheric absorption are interpreted according to Störmer's spiral model of solar corpuscular radiation distribution in the Arctic. Four zones of maximum incidence of corpuscular radiation are derived (extending into equatorial latitudes) and traced on a Northern Hemisphere chart. The existence of similar zones in the Southern Hemisphere is assumed and it is suggested that the intensification of magnetic activity at the equator

might be explained by the overlapping of the two hemispheric distributions. (Item 12B-130, Met. Abs.)--G.T.

- C-216 Norsk Institutt for Kosmisk Fysikk, The Auroral Observatory at Tromsø ($\varphi = 69^{\circ}39'.8\text{ N}$, $\lambda = 18^{\circ}56'.9\text{ E Gr.}$). Observations 1952. Its Publikasjoner, No. 35, pub. 1954. 31 p. graphs, 4 figs., numerous tables. DWB--A brief description of the auroral and twilight sodium research (spectrograph observation) at Tromsø and Oslo, and ozone observations at Tromsø (9 months) and Longyear, Spitsbergen (7 months) with a Dobson spectrophotometer. The Longyear observations were started in Sept. 1950 by S.H.H. LARSEN. The results of the first 2 years of observation there will be published in a separate paper. Following the 1-page discussion are tables of 03 values for each day of the observation period in 1952. Geomagnetic observations at Tromsø and Bear Island, radio echo observations and hourly ionospheric values of critical E, FoE, and F1, F2 and vertical height, storminess horizontal and vertical intensity and storminess values for each hour of the year are tabulated and shown in graphs. (Item 8.1-114, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-217 Ohno, K. and Endo, K., The propagation of commercial short waves through high latitudes. Japan. Radio Research Laboratories, Tokyo, Journal, 6(2):13, 1936. Unchecked.-- Consider Nds to represent an index of the difficulty of commercial communications, if s is the path length, and N the auroral frequency. --L.A. Manning.
- C-218 Omholt, A., The auroral E layer ionization and the auroral luminosity. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, 7(1/2):73-79, Aug. 1955. 2 figs., table, 10 refs., 10 eqs. DWB--The processes causing increase in E layer ionization during magnetic storms and auroras are discussed. It is shown that the recombination coefficient can be derived from simultaneous measurements of the photon emission within the first negative nitrogen band and the maximum electron density in the E region. Equipment and observations are described. The recombination coefficient during auroras is $> 10^{-7}\text{ cm}^3\text{ sec}^{-1}$. In medium to strong auroras the mean electron density is $2\text{--}10 \times 10^5\text{ cm}^{-3}$. VHF radio echoes require localized electron densities of about $1.4 \times 10^9\text{ cm}^{-3}$, which though high may not be impossible. The variations of some parameters with height are discussed. (Item 7.1-230, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.

- C-219 Omholt, A., Radio observations of aurorae. (In: Chicago Univ. Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Wisc., Contract AF 19(122)-480, Technical Report, No. 22 (Symposium on auroral observations during the IGY, Sept. 17-26, 1953), pub. 1956. p. 6-12. 18 refs..) DWB--The possible altitudes and ionization processes which might account for radar and radio reflections from auroral streamers (associated with E_s reflection) are discussed. The absorption of 1-20 Mc/sec waves is supposed to take place at 30 km, whereas the visible aurora is 100 km or higher. Explanation is only tentative, radio echoes occur only with strong auroras low in NW and NE and usually with active rays. A strong fading rate and Doppler broadening indicate speeds of reflecting points up to 1000 m/sec. (Item 11.4-120, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-220 Ortner, Johannes (Kiruna Geophysical Obs., Kiruna, Sweden), Around-the-world echoes observed on a transpolar transmission path. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 64(12):2464-2467, Dec. 1959. 3 figs., table, 4 refs. DLC--Auroral influence on the 5200 km long communication path, 17.900 and 24.025 Mc/s respectively, of the three backscatter sounders used, is discussed here. Multipath studies were made Dec. 23, 1958 - Feb. 24, 1959. The results are presented in table and graph. It was found that the field strength of the world travelling signal at times was not more attenuated as a direct propagated pulse. --W.N.
- C-221 Oscanyan, P.C., Jr., Radio phenomena recorded by the University of Michigan Greenland Expedition 1926. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 15(5):425-430, May 1927. 5 figs. DLC--J. L. Reinhartz's statement "when a radio receiving station which plan to work on wavelengths of 30 m or below is placed at the foot of a hill or mountain which is of a height greater than 17° from the horizontal of the station, then signals will be screened off from the receiver" was so well verified that the radio station of the expedition had to move; since signals coming from north were completely blocked. An audibility graph disproves the popular belief that there is no static in the Arctic.--W.N.
- C-222 Oscanyan, Paul C., Jr., Arctic auroral radio interference. QST, West Hartford, Conn, 13(12):18-20+, Dec. 1929. 5 figs., refs. DLC--An account of auroral effects upon radio waves as observed by the author, in charge of the radio station of the Mt. Evans Observatory (Greenland 1200 f.a.s.) of the Univ. of Michigan Expedition to Greenland 1927-1928. The receiving equipment described covered the frequency range 15-30,000 Kc. Apparently, this is the first report on direct observation of visible aurorae affecting radio wave

propagation. The auroral effects are classified A1, B1, B2 and B4 according to interference on the various frequencies. It is noteworthy to quote: "What really offers the most interest is the fact that there seems to be a point which can be calculated. When the corona formation is nearest to 17° (or more) above the horizon, and between the receiving and transmitting stations, the signal is most greatly influenced". Directional movement of the radio disturbances are also considered. --W.N.

- C-223 Owren, Leif; Leinbach, Harold and Nichols, B., Auroral absorption of radio waves transmitted via the ionosphere. Alaska. Univ. Geophysical Institute, Contract DA-36-039-sc-56739, Final Report (on Task A and B), March 1, 1955 to Feb. 28, 1956. 79 p. 28 figs., 19 tables. DWB--Give a detailed account of experimental data collected under Experiment Aurora. The monthly percentage of signal-in-time is tabulated for all frequencies and paths employed, and compared with East-West and South-North propagation at each frequency. The seasonal variation in signal-in-time over short and long paths is shown in diagrams. There is a significant difference statistically in signal-in-time for the East-West and North-South Paths for 12 mc short paths. A study of the critical frequencies for E and F layers shows the difference in daytime variation of median signal strength between the years 1949-50 and 1954-55 due to changes in F layer ionization and D layer absorption in the course of a sunspot cycle. With a 12 mc radar, both direct backscatter and ground-scatter echoes were observed over a period of many months. Two types of echoes were recorded, one of which fades very rapidly. The data obtained about visual aurora at five stations in Alaska are analyzed. (Item 12A-130, Met. Abs.)--A.H.K.
- C-224 Parkinson, T.; Kirby, S.S.; Arnold, P.N. and others, Bibliography on radio wave phenomena and measurement of radio field intensity. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 19(6):1034-1084, June 1931. DLC--The bibliography contains 630 annotated entries classified under subject and related subdivisions in chronological order: radiation, radio wave phenomena, fading, daily and seasonal variations, direction variations; meteorological, geophysical and cosmic effects; eclipses, reflection, refraction, diffraction, absorption, polarization, K-H layer, wave front angle, transmission formulas, atmospheric disturbances, strays, directional properties, etc. (Item 6B-13, Met. Abs.)--W.N.

- C-225 Parthasarathy, R.; Basler, R.P. and de Witt, R.N., A new method for studying the auroral ionosphere using earth satellites. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 47(9):1660, Sept. 1959. DLC--Simultaneous recordings are taken at two stations, 19 km apart, of the field strength of the 20 mc transmissions from Sputnik III as it passes directly overhead. The results are used to study the structure of the absorption region. --IRE, Proceedings, Abstract No. 4052.
- C-226 Paton, James, The observation of aurora. International Council of Scientific Unions, Brussels, Eighth Report of the Commission for the Study of Solar and Terrestrial Relationships. Paris, 1954. p. 157-167. 33 refs. DWB--Early maps of isochasms are based on inadequate data and close networks of observing stations have been recently established, supplemented by observations on transatlantic stratocruisers. Aids to observing, analysis and classification are described; use of punched cards is suggested. Use of radio echoes is discussed. The paper ends with a list of outstanding problems. (Item 7.4-299, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-227 Penndorf, R. and Coroniti, Samuel C., Propagation of HF and VHF in the Arctic region. Institute of Radio Engineers, Transactions on Communication systems, CS-7(2):121-125, June 1959. 5 figs., 9 refs. DLC--Auroras can be used as reflectors or scatterers particularly in the afternoon and night, depending on local time. Critical analysis of all recordings by stations north of 60° lat is reported on here. Two types of F2 propagation are discussed along with the three sporadic E-types: 1. Thule, 2. auroral belts, and 3. mixed. --W.N.
- C-228 Pawsey, J.L., The question of radio emission by the ionosphere. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 15(1/2):51-53, Sept. 1959. 10 refs. DLC--The importance of non-thermal emission of radio waves of the ionosphere as a probable source of "radio noise from the aurora" in ionospheric and astronomical studies is examined. The thermal emission from the D region does not preclude occasional bursts nor intense emission from the E layer. Intense noise from all over the sky reported on meter wavelengths, and other similar reports, until reliably reproduced, present clues rather than evidence. Brief increases of noise level on a frequency of 33 Mc/s coinciding with meteors might originate from a source other than the meteor. GALLET's report giving reasons for supposing the "dawn chorus" is generated in the outer reaches of the ionosphere is worthy of further examination. (Item 11.12-323, Met. Abs.)--O.T.
- C-229 Peterson, A.M. and Leadabrand, R.L. (Radio Propagation Lab., Stanford Univ., Calif.), Long-range radio echoes from auroral ionization. Journal of Geophysical Research, 59(2): 306-309, June 1954. 2 figs. DLC--

Radio echoes were observed at 1500 to 4700 km from Stanford Univ. (43.75°N) on frequencies of 3.42, 12.86 and 17.31 Mc at greater heights than heretofore reported, and with intensities exceeding strongest F layer propagated ground-scatter echoes occurring simultaneously. These echoes were first detected in Oct. 1952 during sporadic E layer studies. They are found in the F layer, not E layer zone as was presumed. Discrete and diffuse echo records are reproduced. Several layers may be present at varying distances. Diurnal and seasonal frequencies agree with auroral frequency data. (See ref. C-164). (Item 6D-257, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-230 Pickard, Greenleaf W., Aurora and low-frequency radio reception, July 7 to 8, 1928. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, 33(3):168, 1928. DLC--The aurora observed at Newton Center, Mass. began at 20h 15m EST, July 7 as a bright arch in the northeast. An hour later an auroral crown developed near the zenith, with descending rays which at one time nearly filled the hemisphere, and which were at times strongly colored with pink and yellow-green. Broadcast reception from WGY at Schenectady, and KDKA at Pittsburgh was greatly depressed during the entire evening and did not rise appreciably above its normal low daytime level. Although the Harvard Astronomical Laboratory at Cambridge has not yet reduced its record of WBBM for this period, Stetson reports very low field values. My own record of field strength from station WCI at Tuckerton, New Jersey, operating at 16 Kc, shows a striking change from the normal diurnal curve for the past month, which had peaks at or near sunrise and sunset, with low field during the night. On July 7 the sunset peak was absent with high values during the greater part of the night, and instead of a peak at sunset a deep depression appears in the early morning record of July 8, and a low and irregular field during the day. As there has been nothing like this in the previous daily records of this station, it is assumed that the change is associated with the aurora.--E. Z. S.
- C-231 Pierce, J. A., Ionization by meteoric bombardment. Physical Review, 71(2):38-52, Jan. 15, 1947. fig., 12 refs., 7 eqs. DLC--Although the discussion centers on ionization by meteors there is a brief reference to patterns reflected by aurora borealis and sporadic E region ionization.--E. Z. S.
- C-232 Pogorelov, V. L., Radiolokatsionnye otrazheniia ot poliarnykh siianii. (Radar reflections from auroras.) Akademiia Nauk SSSR, Izvestiia, Ser. Geofiz., No. 8:1048-1051, 1958. 4 figs., 6 refs. DLC. Transl. into English in the corresponding issue of the English language ed. of the Izvestiia, Bulletin of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, Geophysics Ser. DWB--

In connection with the IGY program radar studies on the aurora are being carried out at Roshchino ($\varphi = 60^{\circ}12'$; $\lambda = 29^{\circ}34'E$; $\phi = 55^{\circ}35'$; $\Delta = 116^{\circ}47'E$). The radar installation is described briefly. Two types of signals were observed on the screen of the electron tube indicator during an aurora; one type (a) was either stationary or moving very slowly and the other type (b) moved rapidly, both with increasing and diminishing distance. An examination of the distribution of both types of signals, at hourly intervals according to local time, shows that the time of maximum number of reflections and their maximum intensity coincide, and that weak signals were found to occur only at the time corresponding to that of maximum occurrence. With rare exceptions the variations in intensity with time of day is similar in both types of signals. The maximum reflection of both types of signals occurs along the azimuth at 0° and 20° . It is possible that the small minimum along the azimuth near 10° is a result of random deviation and it may disappear when more extensive material is analyzed. The mean position of azimuths, from which signals of different type issue, are often similar. Signals of type "b" are sometimes either similar to or are mirror images of type "a" signals. The coincidence of azimuths indicates that sometimes both types of radar reflections originate in similar regions with increased electron density. It is shown by means of a graph that the areas of reflection of signals are not located upon a narrow arc along a magnetic parallel, although fundamentally they are concentrated close to it. The arc-like distribution coincides with the magnetic but not geomagnetic parallel. The measurement of the height of the radar reflection at Roshchino in 1957 indicates that the maximum number of reflections was at a height of 120 km, i. e., primarily at the zone of distribution of the most intense regions of auroral illumination. When the magnetic field is replaced by a geomagnetic field another distribution is obtained. But the maximum number of reflections does not come from the azimuth coinciding with the plane of the geomagnetic meridian. (Item 11H-121, Met. Abs.)-- I.L.D.

- C-233 Presnell, R.I.; Leadabrand, R.L.; Peterson, A.M. et al. (all, Stanford Res. Inst., Menlo Park, Calif.), VHF and UHF radar observations of the aurora at College, Alaska. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 64(9):1179-1190, Sept. 1959. 13 figs., 6 tables; 14 refs. DLC--During routine UHF auroral radar investigations an unusual daytime auroral effect has been discovered. It apparently occurs most frequently when: (1) the reflecting region is sunlit; (2) the atmosphere is undergoing its greatest change (early morning and late afternoon). There is a minimum of echo occurrence at noon when atmospheric conditions are stable. Daytime aurora is

distributed over a larger region of space than the more commonly observed nighttime aurora. The nighttime and daytime echoes are labeled discrete and diffuse, respectively. They can be differentiated in several ways. Discrete echoes are identified by their relatively short duration, their occurrence only at night, and their orientation in the E layer along a plane at right angles to radar beam; hence, the echo does not shift in range with change in elevation angle of the radar antenna. Diffuse echoes last longer, occur only during the day, and are apparently oriented in the E layer along a plane almost parallel to the surface of the earth; hence, the echo does shift in range when the radar-antenna elevation angle is changed. The primary effects of increasing the observation frequency are decreasing echo amplitudes and decreasing maximum off-perpendicular angle. The observed aspect sensitivity and the wave length dependence are interpreted in terms of the scattering approach of BOOKER.* Using the experimental UHF results, a model of the underdense ionosphere has been developed consisting of irregularities which have dimensions of 0.1 m across and 3.5 m along the magnetic field lines. The echo results are compared with auroral zone effects and described, together with measurements of the frequency spectra (Doppler shift and spread) of an aurorally reflected continuous wave signal. (Item 12B-145, Met. Abst.) (*See ref. C-30)--Authors' abstract.

- C-234 Rawer, Karl, Die Ionosphäre. Ihre Bedeutung für Geophysik und Radioverkehr. (The ionosphere. Its importance in geophysics and radio communication.) Groningen, P. Noordhoff, 1953. 179 p. 67 figs., 143 refs., 68 eqs. DLC--A complete text on the use of radio in ionospheric research. Ch. I takes up methods of observation by echoes, spectroscopic methods for aurora and airglow, magnetic, meteor and luminous night clouds, and soundings; Ch. II gives results of observations by echo methods, magnetic data, composition, pressure, density and temperature. Ch. III discusses theories of ionospheric stratification (origin and disappearance of ionization and explanation of different layers. Ch. IV takes up normal and irregular changes of the ionosphere (D, E, F2, F, E2, G and E_s and influence of magnetic storms, eclipses, polar summer and night, commencements). Ch. V discusses influence of ionosphere on propagation of radiowaves and forecasting propagation. (Item 6D-297, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-235 Reid, G.C. and Collins, C. (both, Defence Res. Board, Ottawa, Canada), Observations of abnormal VHF radio wave absorption at medium high latitudes. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 14(1/2):63-81, April 1959. 7 figs., table, 23 refs., eq. DLC--

A study of cosmic noise absorption at a frequency of 30 Mc/s at Ottawa and Churchill has revealed the existence of two apparently distinct types of abnormal absorption event. One of these is predominantly a night-time phenomenon and is closely associated with auroral and geomagnetic disturbance. It is suggested that this absorption may be caused by an increase in electron collisional frequency at E region heights rather than by a large increase in electron density at lower levels. The second type of absorption is confined to the auroral zone and is predominantly a daytime phenomenon, recurring for several days after a large solar flare. Evidence is presented to show that this absorption is due to an increase in ionization at very low levels in the ionosphere. The cosmic noise measurements are supported by evidence from a number of VHF forward scatter circuits in Canada, and this is used to obtain information about the geographical extent and frequency of occurrence of these abnormal absorption events. (Item 11E-133, Met. Abs.) --Authors' abstract.

- C-236 Rodewald, M. and Breitzkreutz, Egon, Das grosse Nordlicht vom 21. Januar 1957. (The great aurora borealis of Jan. 21, 1957.) Wetterlotse, No. 113:43-54, Feb. 1957. 4 figs. DLC--In $36^{\circ}17'N$, $6^{\circ}46'W$ a red aurora penetrated by white rays. It was also seen in Portugal, Greece, Austria, Germany, etc. In Sweden strong magnetic disturbances caused traffic interruptions. Radio signals were inaudible. An aurora of Nov. 9, 1956 in $33^{\circ}N$ $60^{\circ}W$ is also referred to. (Item 8.6-367, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-237 Rumi, G.C., Experiment Luxembourg. Alaska. Univ. Geophysical Institute, Contract AF 19(604)-3680, Scientific Report, No. 2, May 1959. 32 p. 12 figs., 13 refs. DWB (M(051) A323ex)--Auroral disturbances and the absorption of radio waves in the ionosphere have been investigated. The study shows that the absorption region is in two parts. In one of these layers the effective electron collision frequency increases during disturbed periods at auroral latitudes. This is attributed to auroral activity. The report concludes that at these auroral latitudes an auroral storm can even improve communications. (Item 12A-202, Met. Abs.)--N.N.
- C-238 Rybner, Jørgen and Ungstrup, Emil, L'influence de la zone d'aurores boréales sur les liaisons radioélectriques. (Effect of the auroral zone on radio communication.) Annales des Télécommunications, Paris, 12(5):172-173, May 1957. fig., 3 refs. DLC--Studies of high frequency propagation between Denmark and western Greenland are reported. Considering all possible modes of propagation, it is found that the unusually weak field intensities observed may be attributed to D layer absorption in the auroral zone. (Item C.5-273, Met. Abs.)--G.T.

- C-239 Schallerer, W., Erdströme in Telegraphenleitungen im Zusammenhang mit der Nordlichterscheinung am 25.1.1938. (Terrestrial currents in telegraph wires in correlation with aurora borealis January 1, 1938.) Telegraphen, Fernsprech, Funk und Fernsehtechnik, 27(2):63-69, Feb. 1938. DLC--Extremely heavy oscillations of currents were observed in the ground cables at the UT/WT station in Berlin and elsewhere in Germany. With a periodicity of min 1 sec, maximum 2 minutes, the phenomenon lasted from 2010 to 2200 and was stronger in the north-south oriented cables than in the east-west ones. In Arendal, Norway, the earth currents were more distinct in the aerial cables than in the ground cables. --W.N.
- C-240 Schlobohm, J.C.; Leadabrand, R.L. and Dyce, R.B. et al. (all, Stanford Res. Inst., Menlo Park, Calif.), High altitude 106.1 Mc radio echoes from auroral ionization detected at a geomagnetic latitude of 43°. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D. C., 64(9):1191-1196, Sept. 1959. 11 figs., table, 10 refs. DLC--Auroral echoes have been detected using a radar at 106.1 Mc located at 43° geomagnetic latitude. The geometry of reflection for ionization aligned with the earth's magnetic field lines is such that, for a geomagnetic latitude of 43°, reflection can occur as high as 300 km. The results of these observations are presented, with an interpretation of the height of reflections and a discussion of the advisability of making low latitude auroral echo investigations. (Item 11.7-144, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-241 Seaton, S.L. and Malich, C.W., Auroral research at College, Alaska, 1941-1944, in Researches of the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism. Washington, D.C., Vol. 12, Part II. of Carnegie Institution of Washington, Publication No. 175, 1947. p. 373-397. 2 figs., 2 tables. DLC--Description of buildings, personnel, instruments and methods, difficulties, calibrations, accuracy, discussion of data. All complete nighttime radio fade-outs occurring after midnight were accompanied by high intensity zenith aurora. Cameras and accessories illustrated. Tables giving zenith auroral intensities in equivalent photometer values, and corresponding values of upper frequency limits of blanketing type sporadic E reflections, Oct. 1943-March 1944 for 15 minute intervals. (Item 1.7-134, Met. Abs.)--M.R.
- C-242 Seed, T.J. (Univ. of Canterbury, New Zealand), V.H.F. observations on the aurora australis. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 63(3):517-526, Sept. 1958. 3 figs., 20 refs. DLC--Investigation of the aurora australis at a radio frequency of 30 Mc/s is reported. A value for the range

exponent in the radar equation has been determined and values of the reflection coefficient deduced. Mechanisms of auroral reflection of radio waves are discussed, and only those involving column models are found to be substantiated. Noise emission from auroral ionization has been observed and measured at 60 Mc/s. (Item 10.5-342, Met. Abs.)-- Author's abstract.

- C-243 Seed, T.J. and Ellyett, C.D. (both, Canterbury Univ. College, Christchurch, New Zealand), Low latitude reflections from the aurora australis. Australian Journal of Physics, Melbourne, 11(1):123-129, March 1958. 2 figs., table, 5 refs. DLC--A search for auroral reflections within a radar (or pulse radio transmitter) was begun in March 1957 at the Canterbury Univ. College Radio Observatory, 14 mi from Christchurch, New Zealand (lat 43.6°S, long. 172.6°E and 47.8°S geomagnetic lat). Echoes were obtained at Christchurch on March 10, 1957 for 3 hrs (13-16 h) at 325-500 km range and 113-165 km height. The aurora was observed visually over S. New Zealand, Campbell Island and Australia earlier, and over all of New Zealand from 13-14 h, and in Australia 16-1630 h. Another radar display was observed on April 10. It is correlated with visual and magnetic data on a graph and was calculated to come to within a distance of 250 km and 93 km height. The beginning of the radar return coincided with a steep gradient on the magnetogram. A total of 10 auroras were thus observed in 61 days (April 10-June 10) and the data are tabulated. (Item 10.2-341, Met. Abs.)-- M. R.
- C-244 Sen'ko, P.K., Geofizicheskie issledovaniia v Antarktide. (Geophysical explorations in Antarctica.) Priroda, Moscow, 7:59-62, July 1958. 2 figs. DLC--Some of the results of seismological, terrestrial magnetic and ionospheric observations carried out in 1956 at Mirny, Antarctica, are summarized. The seismographs were capable of recording elastic oscillation of the ground with periods of 1-10 sec. In the first seven months some 200 earthquakes were recorded but only in about 1/5 could the coordinates of the epicenters be established and for only half of these could the epicenter distances be computed. The centers of the earthquakes were in the southwest Pacific. The relationship between microseisms and synoptic conditions was investigated. In the winter-spring period, when the surface of the sea was covered with ice for hundreds of kilometers, microseisms with oscillation periods of 6-10 sec were observed; in summer-fall, when ice fields are close to the shore, the microseisms have a smaller period but with an amplitude up to 7μ . Short wave communication between Mirny and Moscow was best at

night when radio waves were propagated along the shortest distance (15,000 km); in the afternoon a more intense signal passed through the regions of the South and North Poles (25,000 km). Owing to the absorption effect of the thick ice layer, radar communications in the heart of Antarctica could be carried on with medium length waves for short distances. The absolute and variable values of the elements of the earth's magnetic field were measured along the line Mirny-Pioneerskaia. At Mirny the magnetic field disturbance showed a maximum at noon or in the afternoon hours of mean local time. During the winter (May-Aug.) there was a second nocturnal maximum disturbance near local midnight in addition to daily maximum disturbance. In summer (Nov.-Jan.) there was a general increase in magnetic disturbances associated with an increased intensity of diurnal disturbances. At Mirny the aurora was observed primarily in the northern part of the sky. The magnetic variations as shown by the curve of the vertical component displayed considerable local differences within short distances (10 and 13 km). The cause of the local variations is attributed to an electrical current of abnormally large density flowing along the sea coast. The instrumentation and aims of studies on cosmic rays and auroras of the second continental expedition in 1957 are outlined. (Item 11.7-34, Met. Abs.)--I.L.D.

- C-245 Shapley, Allan H., Clues to ionospheric conditions in the southern auroral zone. American Geophysical Union, Geophysical Monograph, No. 1:36-60, 1953. 4 figs., ref. DLC-- While there is a considerable amount of experience with short wave radio communication via the ionosphere from the many Antarctic expeditions beginning in 1911-12, quantitative determinations of ionospheric parameters exist for only a few places and for relatively short periods of time. From sweep frequency vertical sounding observations at these few points on the Antarctic Continent and on surrounding islands, there is evidence of at least a rough north-south correspondence of F region critical frequencies. The operation of a rather dense network of stations during IGY will be needed for any real description or understanding of these phenomena. The objectives of a number of analyses with data from the IGY period are mentioned. (Item 8.4-336, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-246 Shapley, Allan H., The ionosphere IGY programme in the Arctic. International Geophysical Year, 1957/1958, Comité Special, Bulletin d'Information, No. 7:60-62, 1953. DWB-- Ionosphere program is closely linked with the auroral and geomagnetic and even the cosmic ray programs. Behavior of the ionosphere in auroral regions and features at or near the North Pole during polar day and polar night will be investigated.

Hemispheric symmetry will be studied by comparing Arctic and Antarctic data. Vertical soundings, studies of absorption, drifts, atmospheric noise (8 stations in Arctic) and sferics (1 station in Spitzbergen), whistlers, and other phases of Arctic ionospheric program are discussed. (Item 10.3-30, Met. Abs.)--N. N.

- C-247 Singer, S. Fred (Dept. of Physics, Maryland Univ.), A new model of magnetic storms and aurorae, American Geophysical Union, Transactions, 30(2):175-190, April 1957. 14 figs., 3 tables, 30 refs., eqs. DWB, DLC. Also issued as Maryland Univ. Physics Dept., Contract AF 10(600)-1032, Technical Report No. 48, July 1953. 20 p. 14 figs., 3 tables in appendices. DWB--A new model for explaining S.C.'s (sudden commencements), magnetic storms, and the aurora is developed and presented in a lucid manner. Other models are reviewed (CHAPMAN, FERRARO and ALFVEN), observational evidence discussed, and the pre-S.C. bays attributed to high velocity particles preceding the shock waves following 22-34 hrs after a solar eruption. The shock wave is retarded by the geomagnetic field, but accelerates as it enters the auroral zone and produces polar S.C.'s. The decrease in the storm is due to high velocity particles following up to 9 hrs after the shock wave. The shock wave may help accelerate auroral particles. (Item C.4-270, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-248 Stein, Sidney (Radio Propagation Lab., Stanford, Univ., Stanford, Calif.), The role of F layer tilts in detection of auroral ionization, Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 63(2):391-404, June 1958. 6 figs., 15 refs. DLC--An important ionospheric mode for detection of powerful long-range auroral reflections at Stanford depends upon appropriate tilts in the F layer to the north. Auroral reflections received via this mode have been reported as originating from prevalent strongly reflecting ionized structures at great heights, between 300 km and 1200 km above the surface of the earth. This interpretation is rejected as a plausible explanation of the radio data. An explicit distinction is made between these auroral reflections and newer classes of radio reflections observed at high and middle latitudes arising from field aligned ionization in the E and F regions. (Item 10.5-213, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-249 Stetson, Harlan True, Auroras, radio field strengths, and recent solar activity, Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, 45(1):77-86, March 1940. 2 tables, 11 refs., 4 figs. DLC--A record of recent results of studies of changes in conditions for radio transmission before and after the occurrences of auroral phenomena. Data of field strengths of

WBBM's carrier wave at a frequency of 770 Kc comprise over 100,000 measurements, covering ten minute intervals of night to night continuous readings. A table giving data from 1930 through 1939 is included. --E. Z. S.

- C-250 Stetson, Harlan True, A note on occurrences of auroras, temperature changes and radio reception. American Meteorological Society, Bulletin, 23(1):21-23, Jan. 1942. DLC-- Deals primarily with temperature relationships but refers to radio field strength during aurora. It is noted that abnormally high field strengths persist in advance of the aurora. Sub-normal field strengths persist for several days following the auroral date. --E. Z. S.
- C-251 Störmer, Carl, Sur un echo d'ondes electromagnetiques courtes arrivant plusieurs secondes apres le signa emis; et son explication d'apres la theorie des aurores boreales. (On an echo of electromagnetic short waves arriving several seconds after emission of signals and its explanation by the theory of aurora borealis.) Academie des Sciences, Paris, Comptes Rendus, 187(19):811-812, Nov. 5, 1923. DLC-- An explanation of the phenomenon observed by Jörgen Hals at Bygdøy near Oslo, in the autumn of 1927 is attempted, based on simultaneous observations by Hals and the author, of echoes arriving at various intervals of 3 to 15 seconds and verified by van der Pol at the emitting station Philips Radio Eindhoven. Referring to author's research on aurora borealis in 1904 the echoes could have been originated in the cosmic space beyond the moon's orbit. Mathematical analysis proved, as early as 1904, that electrical corpuscles coming from very far (from the sun for example) could be deviated by an immense protrusion of the earth's magnetic field and unable to penetrate it, they could be reflected again under more favorable conditions and being still strong enough to cross the atmosphere they appear as echoes. Calculations ascertain the experimental results. --O. T.
- C-252 Störmer, Carl, Short wave echoes and aurora borealis. Nature, London, 122(3079):631, Nov. 3, 1923. DLC-- Describes the reception of delayed echoes and attributes the delay to solar stream of particles. The study of these delays may throw light on electric currents in space outside the earth and on their connection with the aurora borealis and magnetic storms. --E. Z. S.

- C-253 Störmer, Carl, Kurzwellenechos, die mehrere Sekunden nach dem Hauptsignal eintreffen, und wie sie sich aus der Theorie des Polarlichtes erklären lassen. (Short wave echoes arriving several seconds after the transmitted signal, and how they may be explained according to the theory on polar aurora.) Naturwissenschaften, Berlin, 17(33):643-651, Aug. 1929. 6 figs., 3 refs., eqs. DLC--An account of the auroral radio echoes first observed by Jørgen Hals, Oslo, when listening in on the short wave station PCJJ, Eindhoven, Holland. The observations were subsequently verified by the author, van der Pol, E.V. Appleton and others. The tentative explanation of the phenomenon involves Birkeland's historical experiment with the magnetic sphere.--W. N.
- C-254 Störmer, Carl, Über die Probleme des Polarlichtes. (On the problem of auroras.) Ergebnisse der Kosmischen Physik, Leipzig, 1:1-36, 1931. 70 figs., refs., eqs. DLC--One of the important contributions to our knowledge on auroras. A series of photographs shows different auroral forms. Photographic equipment is briefly described. Determination of auroral heights shows frequency maxima for 101 and 106 km, explained by atmospheric tides. A lengthy discussion is devoted to the phenomenon of auroral rays illuminated by the sun, and to other unusual forms. Problems connected with the auroral spectrum are only briefly mentioned, but a detailed summary is given of author's mathematical theory of auroras, based on the equation of motion for charged corpuscles in the magnetic field of an elementary magnet, showing that there are certain parts of the space around the magnetic earth (the ring form "torus space"), prohibited for electrical corpuscles. An experimental verification was found by the discovery of echoes of radio waves, reflected from the border surfaces of the "torus space", which had been already produced in a laboratory experiment by BIRKELAND (1901). The picture gets more complicated if gravitational forces are also considered in the theory. (Item 4J-73, Met. Abs.)--A. A.
- C-255 Störmer, Carl, The polar aurora. Oxford, Clarendon Press, 1955. 403 p. 213 figs. (incl. photos), numerous refs. throughout, tables, additional refs. p. 400-403. (International Monographs on Radio, ed. by Sir Edward Appleton and R.L. Smith-Rose). DLC (AC971.S77). Review in Royal Met. Soc., Quarterly Journal, 82(381):115, Jan. 1956.--This is the first substantial textbook on the aurora to be published in the English language by the man who has become world famous for his life's work of photographing the aurora and studying its nature. The book could well have consisted entirely of the author's own findings which resulted mainly from over 50 years of study of parallactic photographs which he himself

made by a method which he devised and many others have adopted. However, there is an abundance of reference to work of others in this field, as can be seen in the numerous foot-references and the added references to recent literature not cited in the text. The book is divided into two major parts which deal with: I. the descriptive aspects and II. the purely physical (atomic or molecular) and theoretical aspects. The 32 chapters cover, among other subjects: Pt. I: 1) forms, 2) geographical description and periodicity, 3) methods of observation and photography, 4) height determinations by visual and 5) by photographic methods, 6) measurements near the auroral belt and 7) outside the auroral belt, 8) measurements and observations in S. Norway 1911-52, 9) sunlit auroras, 10) intensity, 11) color, 12) auroral spectra, 13) spectra of sunlit aurora, 14) radio waves (10 cm) from aurora, and brief review of notable work Forsyth, Petrie and Currie), 15) corpuscular currents outside atmosphere, 16) radio echoes from aurora observed at Jodrell Bank, Saskatoon, Canada; Kiruna, Sweden and from Kjeller and Tromsø, Norway, 17) Doppler studies of corpuscular stream, 18) absorption of corpuscular rays by atmosphere, 19) emission of corpuscular rays from sun. Pt. II: 1) differential equations, 2) results from study of differential equations, 3) families of orbits, 4) numerical integration, 5) intuitive method of control, 6) results of numerical integration (ALFVEN's method), 7) application of theory to laboratory experiments, 8) application of theory to polar aurora, 9) limitations of theory, 10) approach of theory to actual conditions, 11) other theories (CHAPMAN-FERRARO, MARTYN and ALFVEN), 12) other applications, allowed and forbidden regions, solar, magnetic and coronal relations, etc. A good author and subject index and scores of excellent original photographs are included. This is a most satisfying book -- one that has been awaited 25 years. (Item 11A-19, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-256 Stoffregen, W. (Uppsala Ionos. Obs., Res. Inst. of Natl. Defence), Radio reflections on low frequencies from 75-80 km height during intense aurora activity. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 13(1/2):167-169, Dec. 1953. 2 figs., 4 refs. DLC--Observations with a new type of ionosphere recorder constructed at the Uppsala Ionospheric Observatory and installed at Uppsala and at the new Ionospheric station at Lycksele (64°37'N and 18°45'E) are presented. The occurrence of low frequency reflections ND from about 80 km level during strong auroral activity is illustrated on a diagram. Photos of ionosphere records show aurora E reflections as well as reflections from about 80 km level on frequencies down to 0.33 Mc/s. (Item 12A-232, Met. Abs.) --O. T.

- C-257 Stoyko, Nicolas and Jouaust, Raymond, Sur la propagation des ondes radioélectriques courtes dans la région des aurores polaires. (On the propagation of radio electric short waves in the region of polar auroras.) Académie des Sciences, Paris, Comptes Rendus, 201(2):133-134, July 8, 1935. DLC--An analysis of measurements at Paris Observatory of short wave signals of a length of 37.08 m emitted from the station Honolulu is presented on the verification of the hypothesis whether anomalies observed on short wave propagation received at Tokyo from Washington were due to interference of auroral activity of the great circle between them. The signals received at Paris cross Greenland due to the magnetic north pole. Nevertheless they were observed as being of the same length as those of San Francisco which are a retransmission. Calculating a velocity of 270,200 km/s for the speed of propagation between Honolulu and Paris, it is proved that the emissions of daytime related to those of nighttime received at Paris showed a systematic delay of 0.0518. The direct wave transmission is completely explainable by the Sun. It is probable that the waves received at Paris did take the great circle Paris-Honolulu, which would be a so-called super-propagation. --O.T.
- C-258 Stranz, Dietrich, Eng begrenzte Ionisationswolken in 125 km Höhe während einer Nordlichtstörung. (Isolated ionization clouds at height of 125 km during an auroral disturbance.) Archiv der elektrischen Übertragung, 4:213-216, (1950). 3 figs., table. --From 22h on Sept. 15, 1948 to 1 h on 16th at Göteborg 3 MHz waves showed isolated ionization clouds beginning at 200 km and descending to 125 km. Attributed to a bundle of deflected corpuscular rays. There were pulsations of 3-5 sec in intensity of echo. This observation raises a number of problems. The magnetic disturbance vector is analyzed. (Item 2.7-68, Met. Abs.)--C.E.P.B.
- C-259 Sugiura, Masahisa; Tazima, Minoru and Nagata, Takesi, Anomalous ionization in the upper atmosphere over the auroral zone during magnetic storms. Japan, Science Council. Ionosphere Research Committee, Report of Ionosphere and Space Research in Japan, Vol. 6, 1952. Unchecked. --The depth of penetration and the rate of ionization of protons of extra terrestrial origin were determined on the basis of the model atmosphere proposed by N. C. Gerson. It was found that the energy of protons, which play an important part during magnetic storms, is several hundreds KeV, or 1×10^9 cm/sec in velocity. The rate of ionization of protons of this energy has a pronounced maximum near the bottom edge of the range of penetration. The life time of the ionized state was found to be of the order of a few minutes, ten seconds. The density of

precipitating protons required to maintain the ionized state was roughly estimated at 1 proton/cm³ or less, which can be considered as reasonable values. An explanation was proposed for the violent and rapid variations in magnetic field observed in and near the auroral zone.

- C-260 Taylor, Hoyt A. and Young, L.C., Studies of high-frequency radio wave propagation. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 16(5):561-573, May 1928. 7 figs., 6 tables, refs. DLC--Quantitative measurements of "round-the-world" echoes at 16,700 and 19,000 kcs made at the Naval Research Laboratory, Bellevue, Anacostia since 1927 are discussed. Tabulated data from stations in the U.S.A. and Europe showed so-called direct signals "which appear to violate the skip distance law". A possible explanation is given, however, with reluctance "to entertain the idea of an additional layer with extremely high electron concentration and of so great a height, namely 1,400 km, which would be necessary to explain the path retardations on these nearby echoes by reflections and multiple reflections from such a layer".--W.N.
- C-261 Thayer, Roger E., Radar echoes from the aurora borealis. Cornell University, Electrical Engineering Dept., June 1952. Thesis. Unchecked.
- C-262 Thayer, Roger E., Auroral effects on television. Institute of Radio Engineers, Proceedings, 41(1):161, Jan. 1953. 3 figs., 3 refs. DLC--During aurora displays, horizontal, indistinct, black bands appear on television screens in Ithaca, N. Y. They have been noticed on TV channels up through No. 6(32-28 mc/s). These appear on channels carrying no picture signals as well as those that do. Antenna rotation indicates that these disturbances are coming from the auroral zone.
- C-263 Thomas, L. H., Short wave echoes and the aurora borealis. Nature, London, 123(3082):166, Feb. 2, 1929. DLC--The explanations for delayed echoes given by APPLETON and VAN DER POL are briefly reviewed. The suggested explanation would seem to be untenable unless it is assumed that ν is much longer than believed. If ν were 30 times as large the minimum reduction for a 10 sec delay would be to $e^{-4.6}$ of its initial value.--E. Z. S.
- C-264 Tilton, Edward P., On the very highs. QST, West Hartford, Conn., 28(3):41-43+, 1944. DLC--Auroral effects on radio waves at 23, 43-50, 56 and 112 Mc are discussed in relation to radio amateur communication.--W.N.

- C-265 Tilton, Edward P., Long distance communication over north-south paths on 50 Mc/s. International Council of Scientific Unions. Mixed Commission on Ionosphere, 2nd Meeting, Brussels, Sept. 1950. Proceedings p. 119-120, publ. 1951. ref. DWB--During sunspot cycle peak of 1947-48, radio amateurs made discoveries regarding 50-54 Mc/s communication from Europe to South Africa and from North America to South America. Daily records made in Feb., March, Oct. and Nov. 1949 and Feb.-March 1950, showed that no communication was possible between U. S. A. north of 40°N and South America except on the day following a visible aurora or ionospheric disturbance. (Item 5C-167, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-266 Ulrich, Franklin P., Auroral magnetic storms and difficulties in radio reception, 1924-1925. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, Wash., D. C., 30(3):150-151, 1925. DLC--The results of observations at the Sitka Magnetic Observatory, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey are discussed. The appearance of aurora was reported ten times from radio stations during the reception of messages. On these ten occasions difficulty in reception was experienced only three times, once when the aurora was bright, once when the aurora was faint and once when the aurora was brilliant. On the seven occasions when no difficulty was experienced the aurora was faint on two occasions, bright on three occasions, and brilliant on two occasions. From the observations for 1923-1924 no definite conclusion can be drawn as to difficulty of radio reception during aurora. The evidence from the 1924-1925 observations would indicate that the aurora does not in the majority of cases cause any static. However, it is stated that a great number of observations should be made before any conclusion can be attempted. --E. Z. S.
- C-267 Ulrich, Franklin P., Auroral observations, radio reception and magnetic conditions at the Sitka Magnetic Observatory, August 1927 to June 1928. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, Wash., D. C., 33(3):162-164, 1928. table. DLC--This report is a continuation of the investigation begun in 1923, of the relation between aurora and the earth's magnetic field and of the effect of the aurora and magnetic conditions upon radio reception. The effects of aurora on radio reception are noted. Aurora was reported 58 times as follows: 34 faint; 21 bright; 3 brilliant. On the 34 times that faint aurora was reported reception was poor 9 times, fair 10 times, and good 15 times. On the 21 times that bright aurora was reported radio reception was none one time, poor 2 times, fair 6 times, and good 12 times. Three brilliant auroras occurred and at those times reception was poor, fair and good once each. The observations for this year seem to indicate

that good reception is very much more apt to occur than poor reception during a bright or faint aurora. In former years the results show that during a faint or bright aurora there was difficulty in radio reception about the same number of times as there were no difficulties. In former years the results were based on reports of cables and radio combined, while this year only reports of radio were considered. These results show that aurora causes poor reception in cable transmission, while in radio reception no difficulties are experienced in the majority of cases. The relation between earth's magnetic field and radio reception is also discussed.--E. Z. S.

- C-268 Ulrich, Franklin P., Auroral observations, radio reception, and magnetic conditions at the Sitka Magnetic Observatory, July 1928-June 1929. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, Wash., D.C., 34(4):301-302, Dec. 1929. table. DLC--This report is a continuation of the reports begun in 1923 at Sitka Magnetic Observatory. It is noted that radio reception during the past year was much poorer than during the previous year. --E. Z. S.
- C-269 Ulrich, Franklin P., Auroral observations and magnetic conditions at the Sitka Magnetic Observatory, Alaska, July 1929 to June 1930. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, Wash., D.C., 36(3):239-240, 1931. DLC--This paper is a continuation of the reports begun in 1923, of the investigation concerning the relation between aurora, the earth's magnetic field and radio reception. The investigation of the earth's magnetic field and its relation to radio reception was discontinued with the report last year because of the lack of proper sensitive instruments and because this investigation is being taken up elsewhere in a more detailed manner than was possible at this observatory. --E. Z. S.
- C-270 Unwin, R. S. and Gadsden, M. (both, IGY Station, Dept. of Sci. and Ind. Res., Awarua Radio, Invercargill, New Zealand), Determination of auroral height by radar. Nature, London, 180(4600):1466-1470, Dec. 28, 1957. 2 figs., 3 refs. DWB, DLC--Auroral radio echoes observed by radar operating at 55 Mc/s at Bluff in the South Island of New Zealand. A well defined aerial lobe pattern is obtained by interference of the direct and sea-reflected rays up to an angle of elevation of about 10° . The polarization is horizontal resulting in deep minima between lobes. A range-time record of auroral echoes and a graph of observed heights of auroral echoing regions versus observed ranges are presented. The region producing the echoes occurs as an approximately horizontal sheet at an average height of 110 km. (Item CH-101, Met. Abs.)--I.L.D.

- C-271 Unwin, R. S. (IGY Station of Dominion Physical Lab., Dept. of Sci. & Indus. Res., New Zealand), The geometry of auroral ionization. Journal of Geophysical Research, Wash., D.C., 63(3):501-506, Sept. 1958. 5 figs., 7 refs. DLC--New evidence is presented which shows that VHF radio echoes from auroral ionization are reflections from aspect-sensitive columns aligned with the earth's magnetic field. Previous experimental data, interpreted in terms of a distribution of ionization along a line of magnetic latitude, are shown to be consistent with this hypothesis. (Item 10.5-343, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-272 Unwin, R. S. (D.P.L. Auroral Station, Dept. of Sci. & Indus. Res., Awarua Radio, Invercargill, N.Z.), Movement of auroral echoes and the magnetic disturbance current system. Nature, London, 183(4667):1044-1045, April 11, 1959. 2 figs., 11 refs. DWB--This preliminary report on radar investigations since 1958 at Invercargill is part of a research program of the Dominion Physical Laboratory of the New Zealand Dept. of Scientific and Industrial Research. The radar operating at 55 Mc/s has its antenna beam orientated alternately on geographical bearings of 175° for six min and 240° for four min to avoid possible 210° centered echoes. A histogram of all absolute directions observed in the period May-August features movement of echoes in terms of number of occurrences vs. direction, those with an E or W component in direction vs. universal time, and average velocities in the 800-1200 km range vs. Macquarie Island K-index. The echoes came from a layer varying in thickness up to 25 km, and in the altitude between 110 and > 120 km. (Item 11.6-121, Met. Abs.)--W.N.
- C-273 Unwin, R. S. (D.P.L. Auroral Station, Awarua Radio, Invercargill, N.Z.), Studies of the upper atmosphere from Invercargill, New Zealand. Pt. 1, Characteristics of auroral radar echoes at 55 Mc/sec. Annales de Geophysique, Paris, 15(3): 377-394, July/Sept. 1959. (For Pts. 2 and 3, see refs. C-108, 109). 13 figs., 2 tables, 13 refs. French and English summaries p. 377. DLC--Observations with a 55 Mc/sec radar equipment in the south of New Zealand are discussed. Echoes associated with magnetic activity are recognized as being similar to the auroral echoes that have been observed in the Northern Hemisphere over the past ten years. They may be divided into four major types with distinct differences in appearance and times of occurrence. The height and thickness of the region producing the echoes is significantly different for each type, though most originate from the 110-120 km level. Although recorded during the second half of 1957 at a time of high solar activity, the frequency of occurrence appears to be much greater than at comparable geomagnetic latitudes in the

Northern Hemisphere, though diurnal variations are similar. Systematic motions of the ionized regions are indicated, with a pronounced northward component before local magnetic midnight, and southward after. (Item 11.6-116, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.

- C-274 Van der Pol, Balth, Short wave echoes and the aurora borealis. Nature, London, 122(3084):373-379, Dec. 8, 1923. DLC--Various explanations for the delay of short wave echoes are considered. The length of the delay may be governed by the gradient of the electron density. Our view is that the "group" is compressed and 'bottled' for some time in those regions where the group velocity approaches zero. --E. Z. S.
- C-275 Vassy, Etienne (Prof. Faculty of Science, Paris), Physique de l'atmosphere, Tome I. (Physics of the atmosphere, Vol. 1.) Paris, Gauthier-Villars, 1936. Ch. 1, Les aurores polaires. (Ch. 1, Polar auroras.) pp. 61-167. 75 figs., 9 tables, eqs. DLC (QC880.V3)--The chapter on auroras occupies a major portion of this excellent text, giving perhaps the most complete survey of existing knowledge in this field. The material is treated in five sections. In Sec. A, descriptive phenomena, such as auroral forms, brightness, color, distribution in space and time, etc., are discussed, and relations to solar activity and atmospheric tides are considered. Sec. B contains a detailed summary of the results of auroral spectroscopy. Sec. C deals with radio emission and reflection from auroras. Sec. D is a review of various auroral theories, namely, the theory of corpuscular radiation of atmospheric origin, theories of BIRKELAND, STORMER, DAUVILLIER, CHAPMAN-FERRARO, ALFVEN, and others. Finally, in Sec. E, applications of results of auroral research to investigations of upper atmospheric composition, temperature, density and pressure are described. The chapter is illustrated throughout with representative data obtained by various authors. (Item 12B-164, Met. Abs.)--G. T.
- C-276 Vegard, Lars, Die Deutung der Nordlichterscheinungen und die Struktur der Ionosphäre. (Explanation of auroral phenomena and the structure of the ionosphere.) Ergebnisse der Exakten Naturwissenschaften, 17:229-231, 1932. 10 figs., 9 tables, 109 refs., 14 eqs. DWB--This is a major treatise on all phases of auroral physics and theory bringing the author's 25 years of work up to date and summarizing critically over a hundred works by other authors. The research embraced by this review falls into two categories: 1) the form, geographic distribution, time variations, relation to magnetic storms, earth currents and cosmic phenomena outside the earth's sphere of influence. These problems are kept uppermost in the author's presentation and are integrated by a single theory; 2) the physics of the aurora

as determined mainly from recent research on the spectra of the aurora, radio reflections from the ionosphere and the night airglow. The scores of auroral lines identified at the time of this work are tabulated and their meaning in terms of the composition and ionization of the atmosphere are specified. Resulting theory as to origin of aurora is treated in detail. The bibliography covers the period 1896-1937. (Item 5C-91, Met. Abs.)--M. R.

- C-277 Vegard, Lars, Vorgänge und Zustände in der Nordlichtregion. (Processes and conditions in the auroral region.) Geofysiske Publikasjoner, Oslo, 12(5), 1938. 23+ p. 4 figs., 4 tables, 2 plates, 34 refs., 5 eqs. DLC--A fundamental monograph giving the solution, or attempted solution, to a large number of problems concerning the physical properties of the aurora and the chemistry and physics of the ionosphere, from evidence gained through analysis of numerous auroral spectrograms in connection with magnetic, sunspot and radio propagation data. A few of the main points treated are: 1) the explanation of the types of the red (relative to green) bands (colors) at the lower and upper portions of rays, 2) the temperature (and density) distribution at 25-150 km, and 3) the intensity distribution and changes therein (relative and absolute). Over 100 spectral bands were obtained by the author and his colleagues, and over 80 of these identified. New bands recently discovered are listed and discussed. (Item 5C-93, Met. Abs.)--M. R.
- C-278 Vilbig, F.; Beckmann, V. and Menzel, W., Über Vorgänge in der Ionosphäre, während des Nordlichtausbruches am 25 Januar 1938 in mittleren Breiten (52°) festgestellt wurden. (Ionospheric processes as established during the aurora of Jan. 25, 1938 in the middle latitudes (52°).) Telegraphen-Fernsprech-Funk und Fernseh-Technik, 27(3):73-81, March 1938. 4 figs., table, 3 refs., eq. DLC--The results of echo recordings as obtained in Pieskow at Scharmützelsee from 18.00 Jan. 25 to 0800 Jan. 27, 1938 on 86 m wavelength are presented and discussed. It was found that aurora at this latitude has two different reflecting layers, one of which penetrated the F layer, reduced the ionization present, caused a powerful sudden increase of the magnetic disturbance followed by penetration of the radiation into the E layer with subsequent ionization. The short wave reception at Station Beelitz was characterized by the nightly after effect propagated from the pole. The latitudinal effect on fading of these waves, mainly propagated via the F layer, was distinct. --W. N.

- C-278 Watkins, C. D. (Jodrell Bank, Univ. Manchester), The height and geometry of auroral radio echoes, *Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics*, N. Y., 19(1):1-C, Sept. 1960. 7 figs., 10 refs. DLC--The geometry of auroral radio echoes detected at Jodrell Bank with low sensitivity equipments (wave length 4 m) is discussed. It has been found that echoes are only obtained from regions where the line of sight is within 1° of perpendicularity to the lines of force of the local magnetic field at a height of about 110 km, with a spread in height of the echo regions of not more than 5 km. This conclusion is in disagreement with the original interpretation of BULLOUGH and KAISER (1954) (See ref. C-43), who proposed that the range azimuth characteristics of the echoes arose from the alignment of the reflecting regions along geomagnetic latitudes. The new result agrees well with other observations carried out at Jodrell Bank on a wave length of 3 m and with observations of the aurora australis carried out in Antarctica and New Zealand on shorter wave lengths. It is suggested that small differences in the location of the echo-regions arise from changes in the height of the regions and distortions of the lines of force during magnetic disturbances. (Item 12A-243, Met. Abs.)-- Author's abstract.
- C-230 Watkins, C. D. (Nuffield Radio Astronomy Lab., Jodrell Bank, Manchester Univ.), The magnetic storm-time variation of radio star scintillations and auroral radio echoes, *Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics*, London, 19(3/4):289-292, Dec. 1960. 3 figs., 3 refs. DWB--An examination of the observations made at Jodrell Bank during 1955-1958 shows that about 80 percent of all the series of radio echoes recorded were preceded by a sudden commencement. This suggests that echo activity is mainly related to s.c. type magnetic storms. The storm-time variations of echo incidence and mean scintillation rate are graphically presented. The variation of echo incidence is also plotted for the periods Jan. 1955 - June 1957 and July 1957 - Dec. 1958 separately and combined, and the associated features are discussed. --I. S.
- C-281 Watkins, C. D. (Royal Radar Estab., Malvern, Worcs.), Temporal variations of auroral radio-echo activity in sub-auroral latitudes, *Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics*, London, 20(2/3):140-143, March 1961. 6 figs., 16 refs. DLC--Low power radio-echo equipments have been continuously operated for several years recording observations of auroral ionization. The results have been examined for the following temporal variations of activity: diurnal, 27 day, seasonal, and 11 year. The time delay between the occurrence of class 3 solar flares and subsequent echo activity has also been investigated. It is suggested that the bimodal diurnal distribution

possibly arises from the condition of specular reflection which controls the detection of echoes and from the north-south motions of visual auroral forms. The general features of the other periodicities are found to be little different from the well known ones of geomagnetic disturbance. --Author's abstract.

- C-282 Watkins, C.D. (Royal Radar Estab., Malvern, Worcs.), Auroral radio echoes and magnetic disturbances. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 20(2/3):131-139, March 1961. 6 figs., 8 refs. DLC--It is shown that the probability of detecting auroral radio echoes with a low sensitivity equipment at Jodrell Bank increases with the value of the magnetic K index, being 100 percent for local K indices of 8 and 9. There is a close correlation between east-west moving echo regions crossing the meridian of Eskdalemuir, Scotland, and magnetic disturbances recorded there. A comparison of magnetograms obtained at Lerwick and Eskdalemuir (north and south of the echo regions respectively) show that, in general, during the occurrence of echoes, the current systems giving rise to the magnetic disturbance are situated south of Lerwick and north of Eskdalemuir and thus near the echo regions. An investigation of the location of visual auroral forms during the occurrence of echoes shows that they also are mainly situated in this region. The results confirm the suggestion of BULLOUGH et al.* (1957) that magnetic disturbances are closely related to regions of ionization which move approximately along magnetic parallels of latitude and which can be detected with radio echo equipments. (*See ref. C-45)--Author's abstract.
- C-283 Wax, Nelson, A note on design consideration for a proposed auroral radar. Göteborg, Sweden. Chalmers Tekniska Högskola, Handlingar, No. 182, 1957. 16 p. 10 refs., 3 eqs. DLC--Examines the uses of a range-gated pulsed Doppler radar with filters and narrow beam widths. To that effect, the pertinent results of auroral studies are summarized, followed by some objectives and recommendations involved in the radar design discussed in comparison with MC NAMARA's system. Author's system, based on the significance of the fine structure of auroral echoes, pursues the fine azimuthal resolution and wide scanning ability. The principle outlined fundamentally exploits tested techniques and appears practical. --W.N.
- C-284 Weiss, A.A. and Smith, J.W. (both, Dept. Phys. U. of Adelaide), Radar record of an aurora at Adelaide. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 12(2/3):217-218, 1958. 2 refs. DLC--The aurora of Sept. 13, 1957 was visible throughout Australia and was observed from Adelaide. Facts gathered were similar to those observed by HARANG and LANDMARK in 1954 (See ref. C-127). The auroral echoes were first

heard from 1655 to 1927 LT and the aurora was first seen at the limiting slant range of 900 km. The echoes varied considerably during the course of the aurora. They first appeared with small amplitude at maximum range. The amplitude then increased until the range reaches a minimum value and thereafter decreased again as the range increased. (Item 10.6-127, Met. Abs.)--N. N.

- C-285 Wells, H. W., Polar radio disturbances during magnetic bays. Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity, Wash., D.C., 52(3):315-320, Sept. 1947. 4 figs., 4 refs. DLC--A comparison of ionospheric and magnetic records at College, Alaska, shows that marked increases in ionospheric absorption, producing partial to complete radio blackouts, occur during magnetic bays. The period of the absorption is limited to the duration of the magnetic bay. Particle bombardment is suggested as the cause of polar region radio blackouts and sporadic E ionization. The observations indicate that these absorption effects occur simultaneously over wide areas of ~~500~~ 500 miles diameter.
- C-286 Whale, H. A., The effects of ionosphere irregularities and the auroral zone on the bearings of short wave radio signals. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, London, 13-(3/4):258-270, 1959. 3 figs., 12 refs. --The nature of the observed variations in the received bearing of the signals from short wave radio stations at various distances is discussed and the origins of some of the effects are suggested. The major part of the daily variation of bearing of stations up to about 15000 km distant arises from the refraction of the ray in the F1 region when it is reflected from the F2 region. A discussion of the curving of the ray path by successive small changes of direction at each reflection point leads to the concept of an antipodal area replacing the geometrical antipodal point. The large changes in direction associated with the passage of a ray through the auroral regions suggest a method of plotting the shape of the absorbing parts of the auroral zone by observations at a place remote from this zone. A sample plot obtained by this method is presented. (Item 12.4-357, Met. Abs.)--Author's abstract.
- C-287 Whatman, A. B. and Hamilton, R. A., High latitude radio observations. Physical Society of London, Proceedings, 50(278): 217-232, March 1938. DLC--The Oxford Univ. Arctic Expedition, 1935-1936 to North-East Land ($80^{\circ}23'N$, $15^{\circ}31'$) observed no special conditions in the ionosphere during overhead auroras, nor any significant change of absorption. --W. N.

- C-288 White, F. W. G. ; Skey, H. F. and Geddes, M., Radio fade-outs, auroras and magnetic storms. Nature, London, 142-(3585):239, Aug. 13, 1938. 3 refs. DLC--A brief letter suggesting that it would appear in high latitudes a radio fadeout may be due to ultraviolet radiation emitted during an eruption or may also be due to ionization by the particle radiation causing the auroras. Observations made in South Island, New Zealand Jan. 20-22 and Jan. 24-26, 1937, are discussed. The first of these periods began with solar activity and poor reflection from wireless waves from the ionosphere. On beginning observations of the reflection of waves from the F2 region on Jan. 20 no reflected wave could be observed. Magnetic conditions were moderately stormy and an aurora was observed over New Zealand. Similar events occurred during the second period. Ionospheric conditions in Christchurch appear to be similar to those observed at Tromsø by APPLETON (1937) during a magnetic storm and auroral display. It is found that "no echo" periods often occur in the morning following a night of magnetic and auroral activity. --E. Z. S.
- C-289 Winckler, J. R. ; Peterson, L. ; Hoffman, R. et al. (all, School of Physics, Univ. of Minnesota), Auroral storm of Feb. 10-11, 1958. American Geophysical Union, Transactions, 39(6):1225-1230, Dec. 1958. 3 figs. DWB, DLC--During the night of Feb. 10-11, 1958, a very large auroral storm occurred. The storm and other related phenomena were especially well observed and reported, both visually and by a number of instrumental techniques. Balloon-borne instruments at Minneapolis detected two groups of strong X-ray bursts during the storm. These coincided with two large magnetic bays (increases or decreases in the intensity of magnetic-field components, represented by bay-like indentations on graphs showing variations of magnetic intensity with time); with strong absorption of radio noise; and with the passage across the zenith of a very large amount of auroral luminosity. A cosmic ray decrease also accompanied the storm. The University of Minnesota workers believe that these terrestrial disturbances were associated with the earth's entry into a large cloud of solar gases that may have originated in a solar flare occurring about a day earlier. (Item 11.1-314, Met. Abs.)--Authors' abstract.
- C-290 Yeh, K. C. (Univ. of Illinois) and Villard, O. G., Jr. (Stanford Univ.), Fading and attenuation of high-frequency radio waves propagated over long paths crossing the auroral, temperate and equatorial zones. Journal of Atmospheric and Terrestrial Physics, N. Y. 17(4):255-270, Feb. 1960. 12 figs., table, 22 refs. DLC--This investigation is primarily concerned with the fading and attenuation of high frequency radio signals

propagated over a long path crossing the auroral zone. The fading of high frequency signals propagated over non-auroral paths of comparable length has also been studied, and some new results are obtained. The principal fading and attenuation measurements on which these conclusions are based were carried out in Aug. 1957. For the auroral paths, there is no diurnal variation in fading speed except for a distinct minimum in time interval 1330-1900 PST, during which time the fading speed has little apparent dependence on magnetic activity along the path. In other time periods a positive correlation between magnetic activity and fading speed is found. It is suggested that the period of minimum fading speed is a consequence of the existence at that time of the kind of propagation mode made possible by ionospheric tilts. Attenuation over the long auroral-zone path is found to be associated with 'polar blackouts' as indicated by the absence of returned echo in vertical sounders located along the path. The percentage association varies with the location of the station relative to the path. This variation is consistent with the inferred propagation modes. It is found that during the hours 1330-1900 PST the attenuation cannot be attributed to the absorption that gives rise to blackouts as it can in the other hours. This is also explainable on the basis of the postulated tilt-mode propagation. Similar observations for temperate latitude and transequatorial paths of comparable length indicate that there is strong diurnal variation in fading speed. Some plausible explanations are offered. (Item 11.10-188, Met. Abs.)-- Author's abstract.

- C-291 Zennek, J., Ionosphäre III. (Ionosphere III.) Ergebnisse der Exakten Naturwissenschaften, Berlin, 22:263-321, 1949. 47 figs., table, 125 refs., 23 eqs. DLC--This comprehensive discussion is devoted to the propagation of radio waves in the ionosphere including the influences on radio waves of the sun, meteors and aurorae. The discussion is arranged under the following main topics properly subdivided: (A) Experimental equipment; (B) Theories of electro-magnetic wave propagation in the ionosphere; (C) Normal state of ionization; (D) Abnormal E layer; and (E) Ionospheric disturbances. A good bibliography containing 125 pertinent references arranged alphabetically by authors is included.--W.N.

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- C-292 Auroral display and radio disturbance. Nature, London, 139(3512):318, Feb. 20, 1937. DLC--A brief note under the heading "News and Views". The occurrence of an aurora on Jan. 7 is confirmed by Mr. W. N. Craig of The Manse, Fortrose, Ross-shire. Mr Craig, who was listening on the 14 Mc amateurs band, found that reception from long distance stations in South Africa and on the west coast of America, which was good at first, suddenly deteriorated so as to render the signals practically unintelligible by a very rapid flutter. He found that a conspicuous auroral display was in progress at the time. Magnetic traces recorded at the Greenwich magnetic station at Abinger show distinctive movements at the same time. --E. Z. S.
- C-293 Exploring the ionosphere. News of Norway, Wash., D.C., 11(41):162, Nov. 18, 1954. DLC--Brief news report outlining the plans for Norwegian participation in the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58. The Aurora Borealis Institute at Tromsø will be the center of investigations mainly concerned with ionospheric soundings and auroral research. Other institutes will participate and new facilities will be added to those available at Spitsbergen and Björnöya (Bear Island). (Item 6.9-22, Met. Abs.)--G. T.
- C-294 Poliarnoe siianie 21-22 ianvaria 1957 goda. (Aurora of Jan. 21-22, 1957.) Priroda, Moscow, 46(12):83-85, Dec. 1957. photo. DLC--This is a review of information on the aurora described by a number of eye witnesses from the Moscow, Sumy (Ukraine), Yaroslavl and Murmansk Oblasts and mailed to the Murmansk branch of NIZMIR (Scientific Research Institute of Terrestrial Magnetism, Ionosphere and Radio-wave Propagation). The aurora was an outstanding geophysical phenomenon. Its origin was linked with an increase of solar activity. Its characteristic feature was the pre-eminently red color in more southern regions, which indicates its great height and its increased intensity. The aurora was accompanied by a very intensive ionospheric-magnetic disturbance and an interruption of radio communication on almost all lines. (Item 10.5-341, Met. Abs.)--A. M. P.

- C-295 Radio echoes from aurora. British Astronomical Association, Journal, 57(6):239, Dec. 1947. DLC--Brief note on echoes observed with 46 Mc/s and 72 Mc/s equipment, Aug. 15-16, at Jodrell Bank Experimental Station. The measured range of the echoes was 480 km. The electron density apparently between 2.6×10^7 and 6.5×10^7 per c. c. is some 100 times greater than the normal local electron density during night. --W. N.
- C-296 Show model aurora. Science News Letter, Wash., D. C., 67(20):308, May 14, 1955. DLC--Describes an experimental arrangement developed by WILLARD H. BENNETT of the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington. A small model earth is bombarded by electrons inside a vacuum tube. The existence of a ring current as first postulated by CHAPMAN, FERRARO and MARTYN is demonstrated in this experiment. It also shows a simultaneous appearance of auroras in both hemispheres. (Item 7.8-271, Met. Abs.)--G. T.

ADDENDUM

- C-297 Chamberlain, Joseph W. (Yerkes Obs., Univ. of Chicago), Physics of the aurora and airglow. N. Y., Academic Press, 1961. 704 p. Numerous figs., tables and eqs. Bibliog. p. 590-670. (International Geophysics Series, ed. by J. Van Mieghem, Vol. 2) DLC, DWB (M21C443ph)--Chapter 6 (p. 217-243) of this new and exceedingly thorough review of the entire field of the physics of the aurora, airglow and twilight emissions, gives a two part summary of recently derived knowledge of the radio aurora: 1) the observed characteristics: distinction between auroras and radio auroras; types of echoes, location of radio auroras, periodic variations, motions of ionization areas, polarization, sensitivity and echo strength, and relationships with geomagnetic storms, fields, etc., and 2) theory of auroral reflections, geometry, critical and partial reflections from a large surface, scattering by small variations in ionization, and various mechanisms. The radio aurora (Collins and Forsyth 1959) designates ionization associated with auroras permitting radio reflections at VHF and UHF (30-3,000 Mc/sec) bands. The aurora, which is visual (emitted), is an associate phenomenon with the same basic origin, but not always occurring simultaneously. Radio auroras go to greater heights and depths in the atmosphere than do auroras, and occur in day as well as night time, whereas certain forms of auroras can be seen at times and at aspects which do not correspond to radio auroral observation. A good number of references to literature on radio and radar auroral studies are cited. Other chapters give basic information up to 1960 on spectroscopy, photochemistry, etc. --M. R.

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